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[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

ON TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2012, ON PAGE 85.]

SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: GOOD MORNING. I'D LIKE TO CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER. AND ASK THE AUDIENCE TO RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION WILL BE LED BY RABBI DAN SHEVITZ OF TEMPLE MISHKON TEPHILO OF VENICE, AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY PETER OMAN, REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS. RABBI SHEVITZ.

RABBI DAN SHEVITZ: THANK YOU SUPERVISOR, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. IT'S USUALLY THE MISSION OF THOSE TASKED WITH OFFERING AN INVOCATION TO ADDRESS GOD WITH THE WISHFUL AMBITION OF BEING NOTICED BY THE ASSEMBLED COMPANY. WITH YOUR KIND PERMISSION, I'LL OFFER MY MEDITATION TO YOU, THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED LEADERS OF THIS COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS, WITH ABSOLUTE CERTAINTY OF BEING OVERHEARD BY THE ALMIGHTY. PUBLIC SERVICE IS NOT AN EASY PATH. YOUR HOURS ARE LONG AND DEMANDING. YOU HAVE MILLIONS OF BOSSES. HISTORY RECORDS A CERTAIN RABBI ELIEZER, WHO LIVED IN THE FIRST CENTURY. NOT ONLY A SCHOLAR, BUT ONE WHO HAD WEALTH, INFLUENCE AND POLITICAL POWER. OF HIM IT IS SAID EVEN THOUGH HE WAS APPOINTED TO A POSITION OF

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1 COMMUNAL AUTHORITY, NONETHELESS, HE LIVED A LONG LIFE. YOU ARE
2 SUMMONED TO MAKE DECISIONS THAT WILL DETERMINE HOW MILLIONS
3 WILL LIVE, WHICH WORTHY CAUSES WILL PROSPER AND WILL WITHER,
4 AND PERHAPS SOMETIMES DECISIONS THAT WILL BE A MATTER OF LIFE
5 AND DEATH FOR PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW. SUCH RESPONSIBILITY
6 REQUIRES CHARACTER AND SKILL. THIS IS WHAT WE PRAY FOR TODAY.
7 WHEN YOU ARE CYNICAL, WE PRAY YOU WILL FIND PURPOSE. WHEN YOU
8 ARE ANGRY, WE PRAY YOU WILL FIND COMPASSION. WHEN YOU ARE
9 BESET BY UNACHIEVABLE GOALS, WE PRAY YOU WILL FIND WISDOM.
10 WHEN YOU SEE THE FALLEN, WE PRAY YOU WILL REMEMBER THAT WE ALL
11 FALL AND THAT WE WILL BE REMEMBERED BY NOT HOW FAR OR HOW TALL
12 WE WALK BUT HOW WE HELP EACH OTHER GET UP. WHEN YOU ARE FLUSH
13 WITH SUCCESS, WE PRAY YOU WILL FIND HUMILITY. AND REMEMBER THE
14 LESSON OF OUR OLYMPIC DIVERS: THAT GRACE AND BEAUTY OFTEN
15 AVOID NOT MAKING A SPLASH. WHEN YOU DOUBT, YOU HAVE THE POWER
16 TO IMPROVE THE WORLD. WE PRAY YOU FIND COURAGE AND FAITH.
17 COURAGE TO MAKE UNPOPULAR DECISIONS IF THEY ARE RIGHT. AND
18 FAITH IN YOURSELVES TO REJECT PATHS THAT ARE EASY, POPULAR AND
19 WRONG. AND WHEN YOU DESPAIR, WE PRAY YOU WILL BE STRENGTHENED
20 BY THIS: THAT YOU HAVE THE NOBLE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING THE
21 PEOPLES OF THIS COUNTY WHO GIVE YOU NOT ONLY THEIR VOTES BUT
22 THEIR HOPES AND PRAYERS. MAY GOD BLESS YOU, YOUR WORK AND ALL
23 THE PEOPLE YOU SERVE. AMEN.

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1 **PETER OMAN:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING, PLACE YOUR HAND OVER YOUR
2 HEART. JOIN ME IF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
3 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.] THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE WERE LED
6 IN THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING BY RABBI DAN SHEVITZ, WHO HAS
7 SERVED HIS CONGREGATION, MISHKON TEPHILO IN VENICE SINCE 1996.
8 HE HAD PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS THE CHAPLAIN AT THE MASSACHUSETTS
9 INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN CAMBRIDGE, AND AS CHAPLAIN TO THE
10 LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. RABBI SHEVITZ TEACHES TALMUD IN
11 THE ZEBA RABBINICAL SCHOOL AT THE AMERICAN JEWISH UNIVERSITY.
12 RABBI SHEVITZ HAS FULFILLED THE LIFETIME FANTASY TO LEARN THE
13 TIMPANI, AND IS NOW PRINCIPAL PERCUSSIONIST OF THE PALISADES
14 SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. HE LIVES IN VENICE WITH HIS MOROCCAN
15 COCKATOO, M2. SO WE'RE HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE, THANK YOU FOR
16 THAT VERY SPECIAL INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.] CALL THE AGENDA.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
19 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S MEETING -- EXCUSE ME, AGENDA, ON
20 PAGE 3, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11. ON ITEM NO.
21 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
22 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS
23 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
24 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 5, AS INDICATED
25 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR KNABE SUBMITTED A

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1 SUBSTITUTE MOTION ON THIS ITEM, AND THAT ITEM WILL BE BEFORE
2 YOU. ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS INDICATED
3 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON ITEM NO. 8, LET'S SEE, ON
4 THIS ITEM, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION CALLING FOR A
5 SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2012, TO VOTE ON
6 THE AMENDING COUNTY CHARTER TO CHANGE TERM LIMITS FOR THE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I READ THE SHORT TITLE IN LAST WEEK BUT
8 WILL READ IT IN AGAIN FOR THE RECORD. ON THIS ITEM, THIS IS TO
9 INTRODUCE, WAIVE READING, AND PLACE ON THE AGENDA FOR ADOPTION
10 AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON
11 NOVEMBER 6, 2012, FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING UPON AN AMENDMENT
12 TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHARTER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TERM OF
13 OFFICE. IN ADDITION, THIS ITEM ALSO INCLUDES AN AMENDED
14 MOTION. AND ON THE AMENDED MOTION, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE
15 IN FOR THE RECORD. AND THIS IS TO INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE,
16 WAIVE READING AND PLACE ON THE AGENDA FOR ADOPTION AN
17 ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON
18 NOVEMBER 6 FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING UPON AN AMENDMENT TO THE
19 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHARTER WHICH WOULD EXTEND THE TERM FOR ANY
20 -- TERM LIMITS FOR ANY PERSON ELECTED AND QUALIFIED FOR THE
21 OFFICE OF MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FROM THREE TO
22 FIVE CONSECUTIVE TERMS, COMMENCING FOR THE TERM OF OFFICE
23 WHICH BEGINS ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 2002. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S
24 A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO.
25 9, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS

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1 ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED
5 BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 9, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 12
8 THROUGH 56. ON ITEM NO. 12, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR
9 KNABE REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 15, THIS
10 INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
11 AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 16, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT
12 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7, 2012. AND ALSO ON
13 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
14 HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 19 AND ITEM NO. 20, THERE'S A REQUEST
15 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO.
16 27, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
17 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 30 AND 31 AND 32 AND 33, THERE'S A REQUEST
18 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO.
19 41, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
20 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 44, THE SHERIFF REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
21 BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7, 2012. ON ITEM NO. 45, 46,
22 48 AND 50, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
23 HOLD THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING ITEMS -- EXCUSE ME. AND ALSO
24 ON ITEM NO. 56, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC

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1 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
2 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
5 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 33, ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION,
8 ITEM NO. 57. ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT
9 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 7, 2012. AND ALSO ON
10 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
11 HOLD IT. SEPARATE MATTERS. ITEM 58, AND I'LL READ THE SHORT
12 TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX
13 COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS TO LEVY THE
14 2012-2013 SPECIAL TAXES FOR COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO.
15 1, DISTRICT NO. 2, DISTRICT NO. 3, IMPROVEMENT AREAS A, B AND
16 C, DISTRICT NO. 5, DISTRICT NO. 6, IMPROVEMENT AREA A, AND
17 DISTRICT NO. 7. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY MOLINA. SECONDED BY
20 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 59, THIS ITEM IS A DISCUSSION
23 ITEM AND IT'S THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM TO HEAR THE TABULATION
24 RESULTS FROM LAST WEEK'S HEARING. WE WILL HOLD IT FOR THE
25 RESULTS. ON PAGE 35, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

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1 WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING
2 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 60-A, AS
3 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
4 WORKS IS REQUESTING THE FOLLOWING ITEM PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED
5 FOR AUGUST 7, 2012, BOARD AGENDA BE CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 4,
6 2012. AND THAT IS THE INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
7 THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 31, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE. ON
8 THIS ITEM, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
9 TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 60-B, AGAIN AS INDICATED ON THE
10 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS IS
11 REQUESTING THE FOLLOWING ITEM PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FOR THE
12 AUGUST 7, 2012 BOARD AGENDA BE CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 4, 2012.
13 THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE
14 TITLE 31, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE. AGAIN ON THIS ITEM
15 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. AND
16 THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
17 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 2.

18
19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MAY I HAVE A CONSUL GENERAL, THE
20 NEW CONSUL GENERAL OF GERMANY IS HERE. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
21 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE WITH US AND I'D
22 LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE HONORABLE DR. BERND FISCHER, THE NEW
23 CONSUL GENERAL OF GERMANY IN LOS ANGELES. CONSUL GENERAL
24 FISCHER JOINED THE GERMAN FOREIGN SERVICE, THE MINISTRY OF
25 FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN 1999 AFTER SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND

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1 GOING ON TO EARN HIS PH.D. IN PHILOSOPHY FROM THE UNIVERSITY
2 OF HEIDELBERG. HE WAS ALSO A FULBRIGHT FELLOW AT THE
3 UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA AND A GERMAN ACADEMIC EXCHANGE FELLOW AT
4 THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE. HIS
5 FIRST FOREIGN ASSIGNMENT WAS AT THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN TOKYO.
6 HE LATER SERVED AT THE GERMAN PERMANENT MISSION TO THE UNITED
7 NATIONS IN NEW YORK, WHERE HE WAS INVOLVED IN DISARMAMENT AND
8 INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. HE WAS ALSO IN VIENNA FOR CONFERENCES
9 ON SECURITY IN EUROPE. HE RETURNED TO GERMANY AND BECAME CHIEF
10 OF PROTOCOL AND HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FOR BERLIN,
11 THEN SPENT FOUR YEARS AS HEAD OF THE ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT IN
12 THE GERMAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HE WENT BACK TO TOKYO
13 TO SERVE AS DEPUTY AMBASSADOR. THE CONSUL GENERAL ARRIVED IN
14 LOS ANGELES FROM ZAGREB, WHERE HE WAS A GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO
15 CROATIA. ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DR. FISCHER
16 AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS WE REPRESENT HERE IN
17 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE'RE PLEASED TO WELCOME YOU HERE.
18 WE'VE HAD A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GERMAN CONSULATE AND
19 YOUR PREDECESSOR, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO AN EVEN BETTER ONE
20 WITH YOU. SO LET ME PRESENT YOU WITH THIS PLAQUE FROM THE
21 BOARD AS A TOKEN OF OUR WELCOME. WE'D LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO
22 SAY A FEW WORDS. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **HON. BERND FISCHER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WONDERFUL
25 WORDS OF INTRODUCTION, MR. CHAIRMAN. MR. CHAIRMAN YAROSLAVSKY,

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1 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.
2 WHEN I FIRST ARRIVED HERE, THAT WAS IN 1972. I CAME WITH A
3 GREYHOUND BUS CROSSING THE UNITED STATES. AND I FELL IN LOVE
4 WITH LOS ANGELES COUNTY RIGHT AWAY. AND SINCE THEN, I'VE COME
5 BACK, TOGETHER WITH MY WIFE, SHE WAS ALREADY MY GIRLFRIEND
6 THEN, UMTIOUS TIMES. AND NOW IT COMES TO COMPLETION BECAUSE
7 THIS IS MY LAST POSTING BEFORE I GO TO FORCED RETIREMENT IN
8 2015. AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO A WONDERFUL TIME HERE. I
9 COME FROM A COUNTY IN GERMANY WHICH VERY, VERY MANY AMERICAN
10 PEOPLE KNOW. IT'S CALLED KAISERSLAUTEN COUNTY WHICH IS KNOWN
11 FOR THE FACT THAT RAMSTEIN AIR BASE LIES THERE, LANDSTUHL
12 HOSPITAL AND ALL THE AMERICAN INSTALLATIONS. SO I BASICALLY
13 GREW UP WITH AMERICAN KIDS FROM BASICALLY GRADE SCHOOL ALL THE
14 WAY THROUGH MY MILITARY TIMES. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I AM HERE
15 FOR ONE PURPOSE: TO DEEPEN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN GERMANY
16 AND YOUR COUNTY AND OF COURSE THE REST OF MY AREA, WHICH
17 COMPRISES SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND THE FOUR STATES OF COLORADO,
18 OF NEVADA, OF ARIZONA AND UTAH. I HOPE THAT IN MY TIMES, A LOT
19 OF POSITIVE THINGS CAN HAPPEN. YOU ARE AWARE THAT BASICALLY
20 EVERY DAY ON THE GERMAN NEWS THERE IS SOME NEW ITEM ABOUT YOUR
21 COUNTY. OF COURSE, THIS HAS TO DO WITH STARS WHICH LIVE
22 SOMEWHERE IN YOUR INCORPORATED TOWNS OR IN YOUR UNINCORPORATED
23 AREAS. SO YOU ARE ALWAYS IN FOCUS IN GERMANY. AND ON THE
24 POLITICAL SIDE, I NOTICED WITH INTEREST THAT YOU GET MORE AND
25 MORE IN FOCUS BECAUSE WE ARE TRYING TO COMPLETE THE EUROPEAN

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1 INTEGRATION PROCESS, WHICH IS A VERY TOUGH JOB, ESPECIALLY
2 WHEN IT COMES TO FORGE THAT UNITY, THE ECONOMIC UNITY WITH OUR
3 EURO CURRENCY. AND I'VE NOTICED THAT THIS IS AN ISSUE WHICH IS
4 ALSO VERY MUCH AT THE INTEREST ALSO OF YOUR MEDIA, OF YOUR
5 BANKERS, AND MANY OTHER PEOPLE. I HOPE THAT THE FUTURE OF
6 EUROPE WILL ALSO BE BENEFICIAL FOR YOUR COUNTY, FOR SOUTHERN
7 CALIFORNIA IN GENERAL. AND I THANK YOU ALREADY FOR THIS KIND
8 INVITATION. WHAT A WONDERFUL START. AND I AM LOOKING FORWARD
9 TO GREAT COOPERATION WITH YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, AND ALL THE OTHER
10 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND ALL THE OTHER ELECTED AND NONELECTED
11 OFFICIALS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

12 [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, DO
15 YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? I HAVE ONE. ARE THOSE WHO ARE HERE
16 FOR THE CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH, STEVE? OKAY. I DIDN'T
17 HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON WHO WAS COMING. ALL RIGHT. THE
18 CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE HAS PROCLAIMED AUGUST AS CHILD SUPPORT
19 AWARENESS MONTH. AND THIS YEAR'S FOCUS IS THE CRUCIAL ROLE
20 PLAYED BY PARENTS IN CREATING A POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR THEIR
21 CHILDREN, PARTICULARLY IN MEETING OBLIGATIONS SUCH AS CHILD
22 SUPPORT PAYMENTS, WHICH PROVIDE SECURITY, INSTILL CONFIDENCE,
23 MAINTAIN TRUST AND HELP TO MAKE CHILDHOOD DREAMS COME TRUE.
24 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS
25 CHARGED WITH LOCATING PARENTS, ESTABLISHING PARENTAGE AND

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1 INITIATING AND ENFORCING ORDERS FOR CHILD SUPPORT WITH THE
2 MISSION OF IMPROVING QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
3 BY PROVIDING TIMELY, ACCURATE AND RESPONSIVE SERVICES. WORKING
4 WITH PARENTS TO INSURE THAT CHILDREN AND FAMILIES RECEIVE
5 COURT-ORDERED FINANCIAL AND MEDICAL SUPPORT, THE CHILD SUPPORT
6 SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS THE LARGEST LOCALLY ADMINISTERED CHILD
7 SUPPORT AGENCY IN THE NATION, MANAGING MORE THAN 309,000 CASES
8 AND CONSTITUTING 23 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CHILD SUPPORT
9 CASELOAD IN CALIFORNIA, EMPLOYING MORE THAN 1580 CHILD SUPPORT
10 PROFESSIONALS AND COLLECTING MORE THAN \$445 MILLION IN CHILD
11 SUPPORT IN THE LAST FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR. CHILD SUPPORT IS AN
12 EFFECTIVE INVESTMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S FUTURE,
13 INCREASING FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND REDUCING CHILD POVERTY.
14 DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2012, PARENTS DELINQUENT IN THEIR
15 CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENTS ARE PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGED TO VISIT
16 THEIR LOCAL CHILD SUPPORT OFFICE TO MAKE A PAYMENT, SEEK
17 MODIFICATION OF THEIR CHILD SUPPORT ORDER, OBTAIN A REPAYMENT
18 PLAN AND FIND OUT WHETHER THEY QUALIFY FOR A COMPROMISE ON AN
19 OVERDUE BALANCE. SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE
20 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH,
21 DECLARE THAT AUGUST 2012 IS RECOGNIZED AS CHILD SUPPORT
22 AWARENESS MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND FURTHER THAT
23 THE CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT IS HIGHLY COMMENDED FOR
24 ITS DEDICATED EFFORTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN ENSURING TIMELY
25 COMPLIANCE WITH CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS AND PAYMENTS. I'D LIKE TO

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1 PRESENT THIS TO STEVE GOLIGHTLY, THE GENERAL MANAGER OF THE
2 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT. STEVE? THANK YOU.
3 [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **STEVE GOLIGHTLY:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. MEMBERS OF MY
6 EXECUTIVE STAFF ARE HERE ON THE DAIS WITH ME THIS MORNING AND
7 SEVERAL MEMBERS OF OUR SENIOR MANAGEMENT STAFF ARE IN THE
8 AUDIENCE. ALL OF US, THOSE OF US HERE AND OUR COLLEAGUES BACK
9 HOME ON THE RANCH, IF YOU WILL, IN OUR OFFICES DOING WORK AS
10 WE SPEAK AND AS WE'RE HERE THIS MORNING ARE ALL COMMITTED TO
11 THE FACT THAT WE BELIEVE STRONGLY THAT BOTH PARENTS HAVE AN
12 OBLIGATION TO CARE FOR THEIR CHILDREN BOTH FINANCIALLY AND
13 EMOTIONALLY. SINCE 1995, THE UNITED STATES HAS DESIGNATED
14 AUGUST AS THAT MONTH OF THE YEAR WHEN WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY
15 TO SEND A SPECIAL MESSAGE OUT TO ANYONE INVOLVED IN THE CHILD
16 SUPPORT SYSTEM, THAT OUR SERVICES ARE FREE AND THAT WE ARE
17 HERE TO HELP BOTH PARENTS WORK TOWARD WORKING WITH THEIR
18 CHILDREN TO ENSURE THAT THEY RECEIVE THE CARE AND THE
19 ATTENTION AND THE FOCUS THAT THEY DESERVE AGAIN FROM BOTH
20 PARENTS. WE ARE COMMITTED EVERY DAY AS WE SEE THOUSANDS OF
21 INDIVIDUALS TOWARD ACHIEVING THAT END, WORKING WITH ONE FAMILY
22 AT A TIME TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL. WE APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION
23 BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND AS I SAY, EACH YEAR WHEN I'M
24 UP HERE, WE THANK THE BOARD FOR YOUR ONGOING SUPPORT FOR WHAT

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1 WE DO EVERY DAY. AND OF COURSE WE THANK THE C.E.O. AND HIS
2 STAFF FOR THAT SAME SUPPORT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU HAVE A
5 PRESENTATION? SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TODAY WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE TWO OF OUR
8 OUTSTANDING SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEPUTIES, JOSEPH CHAVEZ AND
9 KEVIN JOHNSON FOR THEIR LIFESAVING ACTIONS WHILE ON PATROL AT
10 BONELLI PARK. THIS OCCURRED BACK ON MAY 27, WHEN DEPUTY
11 JOHNSON HAD OBSERVED A LOS ANGELES COUNTY LIFEGUARD ATTENDING
12 TO A CHILD WITH A HEAD INJURY AT THE PICNIC AREA AT BONELLI
13 PARK. DEPUTY CHAVEZ OFFERING HIS ASSISTANCE TO AN INJURED
14 CHILD, A WOMAN APPROACHED THEM, SAYING THAT HER 15 MONTH OLD
15 INFANT WAS NOT BEEN BREATHING AND HAD NOW BEEN TURNING BLUE.
16 SO DEPUTY CHAVEZ IMMEDIATELY PERFORMED C.P.R. AND DISLODGED
17 FOOD FROM THE INFANT'S AIRWAY SO THAT THE CHILD WAS ABLE TO
18 BREATHE AGAIN AND WAS TRANSPORTED FOR FURTHER TREATMENT. FOR
19 THEIR HISTORIC ACTION AND QUICK THINKING, DEPUTY CHAVEZ WAS
20 HONORED WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT LIFESAVING AWARD. WE
21 WOULD LIKE TO THANK BOTH DEPUTY JOHNSON AND AND DEPUTY CHAVEZ
22 FOR THEIR SERVICE. AND THEY'RE JOINED HERE WITH THEIR FAMILIES
23 AND CAPTAIN STEVEN SMITH FROM THE PARKS BUREAU.

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1 **KEVIN JOHNSON:** I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR
2 THIS AWARD AND THAT MYSELF AND MY PARTNER WERE IN THE RIGHT
3 PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME, WE WERE JUST DOING OUR JOBS AND DOING
4 THE BEST WE CAN. AND WE ALSO WANT TO SEND OUT A THANK YOU TO
5 THE FAMILY FOR BEING ABLE TO FIND US AND LET US KNOW THAT
6 THERE WAS A CHILD IN NEED AND THAT, AGAIN, WE WERE ABLE TO
7 RENDER SOME LIFESAVING AID. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **JOSEPH CHAVEZ:** I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR
10 RECOGNIZING US FOR DOING OUR JOB. PART OF THAT IS HAVING GOOD
11 ROLE MODELS. MY FATHER IS HERE, A RETIRED FIREMAN OF 36 YEARS
12 WHO TAUGHT US ALWAYS TO DO THE RIGHT THING. APPARENTLY THAT'S
13 CARRIED OVER INTO MY PROFESSIONAL CAREER. THE BOARD, THANK YOU
14 FOR KEEPING THE PARKS BUREAU FLOATING. CAPTAIN SMITH, THANK
15 YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND DEDICATION TO THE PARKS BUREAU
16 STAFF. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **CAPTAIN STEVEN SMITH:** I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK BOTH MEMBERS OF
19 MY STAFF, JOE AND KEVIN. THIS IS WHAT THEY DO EVERY DAY. THEY
20 JUST SEE IT AS DOING THEIR JOB. BUT WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE THE
21 REASON THAT L.A. COUNTY PARKS ARE AS SAFE AS THEY ARE, IT'S
22 BECAUSE OF THE DEMONSTRABLY GOOD PEOPLE THAT WE HIRE IN THE
23 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THAT WE PLACE IN THE PARK, AND THE
24 SHERIFF'S IMPORTANCE THAT HE PLACES ON IT AND THE BOARD'S
25 FUNDING. SO WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **KEVIN JOHNSON:** I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY FAMILY. BARBARA
3 QUINONES, JONATHAN QUINONES, MARIAH QUINONES.

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5 **JOSEPH CHAVEZ:** I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY FAMILY. MY SUPPORTING
6 WIFE, LOUISE. MY TWO DAUGHTERS, DANI AND RYAN.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ONE OF THE GREAT DEPARTMENTS IN OUR COUNTY,
9 THIS IS OUR COUNTY'S PARKS AND RECREATION. AND THIS IS THE
10 MONTH OF JULY, IT'S BEEN PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH FOR OUR
11 COUNTY. THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY WE HAVE A CAMPAIGN WHERE PARKS
12 MAKE A BETTER LIFE, WHICH IS BEING CELEBRATED. WE COMMEND THE
13 EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND CONTINUOUS
14 COMMITMENT TO ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR RESIDENTS OF
15 OUR COUNTY FROM THE VERY YOUNG AGE TO OUR SENIORS. THEY
16 CONTINUE TO STRENGTHEN RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR COMMUNITIES BY
17 THEIR ACCESS TO OUTDOOR SPACES, PRESERVING HISTORIC, NATURAL
18 AND CULTURAL RESOURCES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES; AND PROVIDING
19 POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES FOR YOUTH DURING OUR NON-SCHOOL HOURS.
20 SO WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF OUR CITIZENS TO TAKE PART
21 IN OUR COUNTY FACILITIES, AND WE HAVE OUR RUSS GUINEY, WHO IS
22 OUR DIRECTOR, ALTHOUGH SOMEBODY DIDN'T SIGN THE SCROLL, ZEV.
23 YOU HAVE TO SIGN.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GIVE IT TO ME.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. NOW WE HAVE FIVE SIGNATURES. RUSS,
3 CONGRATULATIONS. NOW IT'S OFFICIAL. [APPLAUSE.]

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5 **RUSS GUINEY:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND THANK YOU TO
6 THE BOARD. YOU SHOULD BE VERY PROUD OF YOUR PARK SYSTEM. YOU
7 HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN PROVIDING THE FUNDING AND THE
8 LEADERSHIP TO HELP US DEVELOP A SYSTEM THAT'S ONE OF THE
9 LARGEST AND GREATEST IN THE NATION. EVEN IN THESE RECESSIONARY
10 TIMES, WE'VE MANAGED TO OPEN AND DEDICATE NEW PARKS. TOMORROW
11 WE'LL BE DEDICATING THE RESTORATION OF THE ARCADIA PARK POOL,
12 A \$14 MILLION PROJECT THAT YOU, SUPERVISOR, HAVE BEEN VERY
13 INSTRUMENTAL IN. WE OPENED A NEW PARK IN THE FIRST DISTRICT
14 LAST MONTH, AND WE CONTINUE TO OPEN PARKS AND IMPROVE PARKS.
15 WE'RE GOING TO DO SOME MAJOR PARK RENOVATIONS IN EL CARISO
16 PARK IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. AND WE HAVE A SERIES OF SUMMER
17 CONCERTS IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. ACTIVITIES FOR EVERYONE THAT
18 ARE CHANGING PEOPLE'S LIVES AND TRULY MAKING LIFE BETTER. SO
19 AGAIN, THANK YOU TO OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU TO OUR
20 COMMUNITY AND OUR 20 MILLION VISITORS THAT USE OUR PARKS EVERY
21 YEAR. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE ALSO HAVE THE WATER PARK GOING UP IN LAKE
24 LOS ANGELES, AND THE AQUATIC CENTER AT CASTAIC. SO WE'RE DOING
25 A LOT OF PROGRAMS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND OUR SENIORS, AS

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1 WELL. AND FOLLOWING UP, IT'S LITTLE SUGAR, WHO IS A FOUR-MONTH
2 OLD TERRIER MIX. AND SUGAR IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY WHO
3 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE SUGAR, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644.
4 SO THAT'S 562-728-4644. AND THIS IS A BOWL OF ORGANIC SUGAR,
5 THE HEALTHY KIND.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
8 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M GOING TO ASK IRENE TO COME UP AND JOIN ME.
11 SHE IS JOINED BY HER FAMILY. LET'S ENCIRCLE IRENE. TODAY WE
12 ARE RECOGNIZING A LONG-STANDING AND VERY EXCEPTIONAL PUBLIC
13 SERVANT, IRENE RECENDEZ. SHE IS GOING TO RETIRE FROM HER
14 POSITION AS THE CHIEF NURSING OFFICER AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.
15 MEDICAL CENTER. SHE'S HERE TODAY WITH HER VERY PROUD FAMILY,
16 INCLUDING HER MOTHER, MARCELINA; HER BROTHER, OSCAR; AND SON,
17 VINCENTE; AS WELL AS THEIR WIVES AND AS CHILDREN. SO IT'S
18 GREAT TO SEE THEM. AS WELL AS JOINED BY PETE DELGADO AND
19 CHRISTINA, WHO ARE PART OF CONGRATULATING IRENE FOR THE
20 UNBELIEVABLE WORK THAT THEY HAVE DONE. THROUGHOUT HER
21 DISTINGUISHED CAREER AT L.A. COUNTY+ U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER,
22 IRENE HAS PROVIDED UNBELIEVABLE LEADERSHIP, EXCEPTIONAL
23 LEADERSHIP. SHE IS A TENACIOUS AND TIRELESS ADVOCATE FOR
24 PATIENTS AND FAMILIES AND HAS SERVED AS A TREASURED MENTOR FOR
25 LEGIONS OF FELLOW NURSES, COUNTY STAFF AND MANAGERS AS WELL AS

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1 OTHER DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS, MANY OF THEM WHO AREN'T HERE AND
2 VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT SHE HAS DONE. IRENE, ON BEHALF OF
3 MYSELF AND MY STAFF, WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR PERSONAL GRATITUDE
4 TO YOU BECAUSE YOU HAVE NEVER EVER FAILED US OR FAILED OUR
5 COUNTY CONSTITUENTS. WHEN MY OFFICE CALLED, SHE WAS RIGHT
6 THERE. SHE IMMEDIATELY HELPED. WHEN WE HAD AN URGENT OR
7 COMPLEX CASE, YOU WERE RIGHT THERE, YOU WERE ALWAYS READY TO
8 SOLVE IT. AND WE APPRECIATED IT. AND OF COURSE WHEN WE NEEDED
9 HER INPUT OF WHICH SHE HAS VERY VALUED EXPERIENCE TO IMPROVE
10 OUR COUNTY POLICY, SHE WAS RIGHT THERE AND SHE WAS CERTAINLY
11 OUR PARTNER IN MAKING SURE THAT ALL THOSE GOOD THINGS
12 HAPPENED. SO, SHE IS A TRULY REMARKABLE INDIVIDUAL, A VERY
13 FAITHFUL PUBLIC SERVANT WHOSE DECADES OF ESSENTIAL
14 CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE TOUCHED COUNTLESS LIVES AND VARIOUS
15 FAMILIES THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY. SO IT'S TOUGH FOR US TO SAY
16 GOODBYE. I THINK EVERYBODY SORT OF FEELS THAT WAY. BUT WE ARE
17 ENTITLED TO A LIFE OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY, AND I'M SURE THAT
18 IRENE IS GOING TO DO ALL THAT SHE CAN TO REINVENT HERSELF AND
19 TO CREATE A WHOLE NEW LIFE FOR HERSELF AND MOVE ON. BUT I
20 THINK SHE'S ALSO GOING TO BE WELCOMED BACK HERE IN THE COUNTY
21 FROM TIME TO TIME, HER INSIGHT, HER ADVICE AND HER EXPERIENCE
22 IS PROBABLY GOING TO BE INVALUABLE TO US IN THE FUTURE. SO I'M
23 VERY PROUD, IRENE, TO BE A PART OF PRESENTING YOU THIS SCROLL
24 AS YOU RETIRE. IT'S BEEN HOW MANY YEARS NOW? 26 YEARS. MANY
25 YEARS THAT SHE'S BEEN HERE. IT'S BEEN UNBELIEVABLE SERVICE AND

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1 WE'RE SO GRATEFUL FOR ALL THAT YOU HAVE DONE. CONGRATULATIONS
2 TO YOU. [APPLAUSE.] BEFORE WE ASK IRENE TO SPEAK I'M GOING TO
3 HAVE PETE DELGADO, OUR DIRECTOR AT L.A. COUNTY+U.S.C., JUST TO
4 SHARE A FEW WORDS.

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6 **PETE DELGADO:** THANK YOU. AND I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING YOU HAVE
7 SAID ABOUT IRENE. SPECIFICALLY I WANT -- SHE HAS BEEN AN
8 UNBELIEVABLE CHIEF NURSE OFFICER FOR OUR ORGANIZATION. THERE
9 ARE SOME KEY POSITIONS THAT YOU ALWAYS DEPEND ON AND A CHIEF
10 NURSE OF OUR FACILITY IS ONE OF THE MAJOR POSITIONS. YOU KNOW,
11 HER SUCCESS HAS BEEN VERY -- HAS BEEN ATTRIBUTED TO HER
12 ABILITY TO GET THINGS DONE, HER SKILLS IN RUNNING A LARGE
13 OPERATION, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY HER SKILLS IN PEOPLE. SHE
14 BELIEVES IN PEOPLE. HER PRIORITY IS IN PEOPLE. SHE'S GENEROUS
15 WITH HER TIME. SHE MENTORS. SHE MENTORED ME. SO AS A C.E.O., I
16 AM GOING TO MISS YOU, IRENE, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AS A
17 FRIEND AND A COLLEAGUE FOR BEING MY ORGANIZATIONAL THOUGHT
18 PARTNER, AND I WISH YOU ALL THE BEST. [APPLAUSE.]

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20 **SUP. MOLINA:** LET ME ASK DR. -- IF SHE'D LIKE TO SHARE A FEW
21 WORDS.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** HELLO. ON BEHALF OF DR. KATZ AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 HEALTH SERVICES, WE JUST WANTED TO OFFER OUR SINCERE THANKS TO
25 IRENE FOR ALL THAT SHE HAS DONE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OVER THE

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1 LAST 26 YEARS. SHE'S WORKED IN SEVERAL LOCATIONS, AT ROYBAL
2 AND L.A.C.+U.S.C., AND HER SERVICE HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN
3 HELPING TO TRANSFORM SERVICES FOR OUR PATIENTS. AND AS WE ALL
4 KNOW, NURSING IS SO IMPORTANT TO HOSPITALS, AND IRENE'S ROLE,
5 LEADING THE NURSES AT L.A.C.+U.S.C. IS JUST ABSOLUTELY
6 CRITICAL AND WE COULD NOT BE WHERE WE ARE TODAY WITHOUT HER
7 SERVICE. SO, IRENE, THANK YOU SO MUCH AND WE WISH YOU ALL THE
8 BEST IN YOUR RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** IRENE HAS BEEN A GOOD MENTOR TO SO MANY AND
11 PROVIDED SO MUCH GUIDANCE AND ASSISTANCE, MANY OF THEM ARE
12 HERE, I'D LIKE THEM TO STAND UP AND TAKE A BOW BECAUSE THEY'VE
13 BEEN A PART OF WORKING WITH HER AND JOINING WITH HER AND
14 THEY'RE VERY PROUD OF HER, AS WELL. SO, IRENE, PLEASE SHARE A
15 FEW WORDS.

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17 **IRENE REZENDEZ:** MY TURN. FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
18 SUPERVISOR, FOR THIS GREAT HONOR. YOU KNOW, I WAS BORN AT
19 GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND WHO KNEW THAT I WAS GOING TO BE C.N.O.
20 ONE DAY. AND IT'S BEEN AN INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE, ALL OF MY
21 COUNTY SERVICE. AND WHEN I STARTED OUT MY CAREER, I STARTED
22 OUT THINKING THAT I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN ONE
23 PERSON'S LIFE. AND WHAT HAPPENED WAS THE REVERSE. I HAD SO
24 MANY PEOPLE THAT MADE A DIFFERENCE IN MY LIFE. AND I AM JUST
25 HONORED THAT I WAS ABLE TO SERVE WITH SUCH GREAT PEOPLE. IT'S

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1 UNBELIEVABLE THE WORK THAT THE NURSES DO THERE. I MEAN, I WAS
2 THE C.N.O., BUT THEY REALLY WERE ON THE GROUND. THEY WORK WITH
3 LIMITED RESOURCES AND THEY PROVIDE CARE TO CELEBRITIES AND
4 NON-CELEBRITIES AND THEY GIVE THEM THE SAME CARE. AND SO THOSE
5 ARE THE PEOPLE THAT THIS SHOULD BE FOR, REALLY, THE NURSES AND
6 THE DOCTORS AND THE HOUSEKEEPERS AND EVERYBODY THAT WORKS AT
7 THE MED CENTER. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. LET'S START WITH THE SEVERAL
12 PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED TO BE HEARD ON MULTIPLE ITEMS. ERIC
13 PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS AND DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. OKAY. MR.
14 PREVEN?

15

16 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
17 DISTRICT 3. ITEM 1 TODAY IS AN EXTENSION OF THE LENGTH OF
18 SERVICE REQUIREMENT FOR A NUMBER OF COMMISSIONS, INCLUDING THE
19 BEACH COMMISSION, PARKS AND REC COMMISSION, ET CETERA. AND
20 ITEM NO. 8 IS MAYOR ANTONOVICH'S REQUEST TO EFFECTIVELY EXTEND
21 THE TERM LIMITS OF THIS BODY, WHICH THE PEOPLE HAVE MADE
22 PRETTY CLEAR WE'RE NOT REALLY AFTER. AND 63 PERCENT, I BELIEVE
23 IT WAS IN 2002 MADE THAT CLEAR. AND ON FRIDAY, THE CITIZENS
24 COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE MET. AND SHERIFF BACA AND MR. PAUL
25 TANAKA, WHO IS THE UNDERSHERIFF, ADDRESSED THIS COMMISSION

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1 ABOUT THE PROBLEMS IN OUR JAIL WITH VIOLENCE AND SO ON AND SO
2 FORTH. AND THEY EFFECTIVELY HAD THEIR HAND IN THE SAND BY
3 THEIR OWN ADMISSION. THEY WERE UTTERLY CLUELESS, THEY CLAIMED,
4 TO MANY OF THESE ALLEGATIONS THAT DOES NOT PASS MUSTER WITH
5 THE RESIDENTS. OBVIOUSLY THEY MUST HAVE KNOWN SOMETHING. AND
6 IF THEY DIDN'T, THEY WEREN'T DOING THEIR JOB, EITHER. AND THIS
7 BOARD IS THE BOARD THAT CONTROLS THE FUNDING FOR THE SHERIFF.
8 AND WE'RE IN A LITTLE BIT OF A ROCK IN A HARD PLACE BECAUSE WE
9 UNDERSTAND WE ELECTED SHERIFF BACA AND THAT TO UN-ELECT HIM IS
10 NOT REALLY IN MY -- I'M NOT AN EXPERT AS TO HOW THAT GOES
11 ABOUT. I KNOW THAT THE MAN HAS BEEN ESSENTIALLY GIVEN A FREE
12 PASS YET AGAIN, BUT THIS DOES NOT MEET WITH OUR APPROVAL AND I
13 WOULD ASK THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO INSTRUCT THIS BOARD AS TO WHAT
14 THE OPTIONS ARE FOR SEEKING FRESH MANAGEMENT IN OUR SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT GIVEN THESE TERRIFYING REVELATIONS ABOUT THE
16 IGNORANCE OF OUR LEADERSHIP THERE. WE NEED LEADERSHIP THAT
17 DEMANDS BAD NEWS IMMEDIATELY, DOES NOT IGNORE IT. AND MAYOR
18 ANTONOVICH, YOU, TOO, SIR, NEED TO TAKE THE TIME NECESSARY TO
19 DIG DEEPER ON THESE ISSUES BECAUSE THIS IS NOT TOLERABLE AND
20 IT'S GOING TO COST US LOT OF MONEY WITH THE BRADY RULE AND THE
21 PITCHESS MOTION, WHICH WERE OUR RULES THAT PROVIDE
22 CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS TO DEFENDANTS WHO PERHAPS HAD
23 EVIDENCE THAT THERE WAS A DEPUTY WHO WAS ABUSIVE TO THEM AND
24 THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN IN HIS PERSONNEL FILE HAD SOME OF THESE
25 DOCUMENTS BEEN PROPERLY DEALT WITH BY THE SHERIFF'S

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1 DEPARTMENT. ITEM NO. 9 IS THE PARKS AND REC, SOMETHING CALLED
2 THE PARKS BUREAU UNIT FUND IS WORKING WITH SANTA ANITA GOLF
3 COURSE FOR A 50 PERCENT OFF, AND THE SHERIFF, ACTUALLY, FOR A
4 50 PERCENT OFF DAY ON SEPTEMBER 14 AT THE GOLF DAY. AND
5 NATURALLY THAT SOUNDS GOOD. THE SANTA ANITA GOLF COURSE HAS
6 DONE A VERY GOOD JOB OF REPORTING THEIR REVENUE ACCURATELY.
7 THEY HAVE REPORTED NO REAL REDUCTION YEAR-TO-YEAR OVER THE
8 LAST SEVERAL YEARS, WHEREAS AMERICAN GOLF CORPORATION HAS
9 REPORTED SOME SIGNIFICANT DROP-OFFS, WHICH ARE OF CONCERN. AND
10 I THINK WE NEED TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THESE THINGS. THE
11 AUDITS BY SIMPSON AND SIMPSON AND ANOTHER FIRM HAVE JUST COME
12 TO LIGHT AND DO REQUIRE CLOSER INSPECTION. ITEM NO., I SUPPOSE
13 ITEM 30 HAS TO DO WITH WE'RE GIVING TO THREE SEPARATE
14 COMPANIES CONTRACTS TO DO SOME COST ESTIMATION FOR US. NOW,
15 THE PROBLEM WITH COST ESTIMATION IS THAT WE HAVE A GROUP
16 CALLED THE GORDIAN GROUP THAT DOES JOB ORDER CONTRACTING. SO
17 THIS APPEARS TO BE A \$3 MILLION SET OF AGREEMENTS FOR COST
18 ESTIMATING, YET WE HAVE 2 PERCENT OVER THE COURSE OF MANY OF
19 OUR PROJECTS DEAL WITH GORDIAN.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. DR.
22 CLAVREUL? I'M SORRY. MR. SACHS, THEN DR. CLAVREUL.

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. I HELD SEVERAL ITEMS. I
25 HELD ITEM 8, THE TERM EXTENSIONS. IT'S ALMOST LIKE THE COUNTY

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1 IS JUST TOO BIG TO FAIL. AND BASED ON SOME OF YOUR ACTIVITIES
2 WITH METRO, THE AUTHORITY, ANY QUESTIONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE
3 COUNTY BOARD, NO ANSWER IS AN ANSWER. BUT MOST OF ALL THE
4 MANIPULATION. YOU KNOW, IN BRIDGE IT'S CALLED A DUMMY PLAY.
5 HERE, WE HAVE A PLAY BY DUMMIES. IT'S REALLY TOUGH TO PUT
6 AROUND. I HELD ITEM 16. IT'S A RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS.
7 AND SO I'M WONDERING: DOES THIS RECLASSIFICATION ALSO SKIRT
8 THE ISSUE OF PAY RAISES? AND I'M ALSO WONDERING: THERE WAS A
9 STORY IN THE NEWSPAPER REGARDING PENSION, THE PENSION DEFICIT,
10 THE PENSION BOARDS AT CALPERS IS ASKING FOR A 7.5 PERCENT
11 RETURN. AND THE STATE RETURN WAS 1 PERCENT. SO WHEN WILL THE
12 BOARD CONSIDER A RECLASSIFICATION OF THE PENSION RETURN? I
13 HELD ITEM 31 JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY. THAT'S PROP A, THAT'S A
14 HALF CENT SALES TAX THAT'S BEING PAID IN THE COUNTY RIGHT NOW,
15 PART OF IT GOING FOR METRO FUNDING. SO I'M WONDERING: IF
16 MEASURE R IS GENERATING \$1 BILLION IN SALES TAX REVENUE, THEN
17 I WOULD IMAGINE PROP A IS ALSO GENERATING \$1 BILLION IN SALES
18 TAX REVENUE. MAYBE WE COULD GET SOME RESPONSE OUT OF THAT FROM
19 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALTHOUGH I DOUBT IT. I HELD ITEM 46,
20 IT RELATES TO A GRANT FOR ALCOHOL-RELATED PROBLEMS. SO I WAS
21 WONDERING IF ANY OF THAT MONEY WOULD BE USED FOR THE ALCOHOL-
22 RELATED PROBLEMS THAT OCCUR IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IN AND
23 OF ITSELF INSTEAD OF FACILITIES. I HELD ITEM 48, THAT'S THE
24 DEBARMENT ACTION DUE TO FRAUDULENT PRACTICES. SO I'M GOING TO
25 LIST THE COLISEUM BOARD, THE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, MARTIN

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1 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, M.T.A., TALK ABOUT FRAUDULENT PRACTICES.
2 THE ONLY COMMON DENOMINATOR BETWEEN THOSE FOUR AND FRAUDULENT
3 PRACTICES, THEY ALL HAVE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON THEM. IMAGINE
4 THAT. I HELD ITEM 56, IT DEALS WITH THE COUNTY AMENDMENT FOR
5 TATTOOS AND THEY'RE WAIVING PART OF THE COUNTY ORDINANCE. AND
6 JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, BECAUSE THERE WAS A STORY IN THE
7 "ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER" ABOUT FOOD TRUCKS AND HOW THE STATE
8 REGULATIONS HAVE CHANGED THAT REQUIRE FOOD TRUCKS TO HAVE
9 PERPETUAL COLD FACILITIES IN THEIR FOOD TRUCK AND YET L.A.
10 COUNTY IS WAIVING THAT OR IS GRANDFATHERING THAT IN FOR FOOD
11 TRUCKS. SO I'M WONDERING WHY THEY'RE DOING THAT. I HELD ITEM
12 60-B, ONLY FOR THIS REASON. IT STATES IT WAS ONE OF 84 ITEMS
13 ON THE AGENDA. TODAY'S HAS 66 ITEMS. IN TWO AGENDAS, THAT'S
14 150 ITEMS, PUBLIC COMMENT, PUBLIC COMMENT ON THOSE AGENDA
15 ITEMS, 4 MINUTES. THAT'S PRETTY EQUITABLE WHEN YOU COME DOWN
16 TO THINK ABOUT IT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

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20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS. DOCTOR GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL START BY YOUR
22 ITEM NO. 8, THE EXTENSION OF TERM LIMITS. YOU KNOW, IT'S KIND
23 OF SAD, FIRST OF ALL, THE WAY IT WAS WORDED. AND FOR ONCE WE
24 HAD 63 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE WHO VOTED TO HAVE THOSE TERM
25 LIMITS. PERSONALLY I'M OPPOSED TO TERM LIMITS, BUT PEOPLE DO

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1 NOT VOTE MOST OF THE TIME WHEN THOSE INITIAL TERM LIMITS WERE
2 VOTED ON, ON THREE TERMS IT WAS ONE WAY TO ALLOW MAYBE SOMEONE
3 FROM THE PUBLIC TO RUN FOR ONE OF THOSE WONDERFUL POSITIONS
4 HERE. MANY YEARS AGO WHEN I WAS MUCH YOUNGER, I CONTEMPLATED
5 RUNNING FOR ONE OF YOUR WONDERFUL OFFICE. BUT IT WAS TOTALLY
6 ABOVE ANY WAY ANYBODY COULD DO TO RUN TO ANY OF YOU. BUT BY
7 HAVING A TERM LIMIT, AT LEAST PEOPLE FROM THE PUBLIC COULD RUN
8 FOR AN UNOPPOSED SEAT. AND AS WELL AS YOU KNOW, MOST PEOPLE
9 DON'T RUN AND WHEN YOU RUN, IT'S SO -- IT'S AS WELL AS BEING
10 UNOPPOSED BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO RUN DO NOT HAVE THE FINANCIAL
11 BACKING OR THE SUPPORT TO BE ELECTED. SO I FEEL THAT IN NO WAY
12 SHOULD YOU TRY TO EXTEND THE TERM LIMIT. AND MANY OF YOU I
13 LIKE AS INDIVIDUALS, BUT I DO NOT LIKE YOU AS SUPERVISORS. AND
14 TO WHERE WE CAN GET RID OF SOME OF YOU WOULD BE KIND OF NICE.
15 SO PLEASE DO NOT TRY TO EXTEND YOUR TERM LIMITS. AND IF YOU DO
16 AND IF THAT IS ON THE VOTE COMING UP IN OCTOBER, YOU CAN MAKE
17 SURE I WILL DEVELOP A CAMPAIGN TO OPPOSE IT WITH ALL THE POWER
18 I HAVE LEFT IN ME. I WILL MAKE SURE THAT YOU DO NOT GET AN
19 EXTENSION IF THAT'S THE LAST THING I DO BEFORE I DIE. ON ITEM
20 20, AGAIN WE ARE CREATING ANOTHER ORGANIZATION, THE G.P.A. AND
21 WHEN YOU ARE REALLY LOOK IN DETAIL OF THE INFORMATION WE ARE
22 GIVEN, WE ARE AGAIN CREATING A QUASI GOVERNMENT ENTITY, AND
23 ACTUALLY THE PEOPLE FROM L.A. CARE WOULD STILL REMAIN IN
24 POWER. AND YOU KNOW HOW I FEEL ABOUT L.A. CARE. I NEVER LIKED
25 IT AND I DON'T LIKE THE WAY THEY HAVE DONE A LOT OF THINGS.

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1 AND I THINK WE ARE LOSING MORE AND MORE CONTROL AND BY
2 CREATING THAT G.P.A., YOU MAKE IT MUCH MORE DIFFICULT. SO,
3 ANYWAY, ANYBODY WANT TO FIGHT THAT TERM LIMIT, PLEASE GO TO
4 LACOUNTYOBSERVER.COM. I'D LIKE TO ORGANIZE TWO OF MY ARTICLES
5 TO THE L.A. TIMES AND TO THE "PASADENA STAR-NEWS" SINCE I'M
6 LIMITED BY TIME, WHAT'S SO WONDERFUL ABOUT WRITING, WE HAVE
7 ALL THE TIME IN THE WORLD WHEN WE WRITE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, DR. CLAVREUL. KAREN
10 PETERS, YOU SIGNED UP ON ITEM NO. 3?

11

12 **KAREN PETERS:** I HAVE A QUESTION. ARE YOU GOING TO READ THE
13 PROCLAMATION FIRST? I'M GOING TO COMMENT ON THE PROCLAMATION.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO WE'RE NOT GOING TO READ IT.
16 IT'S IN THE RECORD.

17

18 **KAREN PETERS:** IT'S IN THE RECORD, THANK YOU. THEN I WILL BE
19 HAPPY TO COMMENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PUTTING INTO THE
20 RECORD THIS PROCLAMATION. YOU ARE PROCLAIMING THAT WORLD
21 BREASTFEEDING WEEK IS SUPPORTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 AND BREASTFEEDING AWARENESS MONTH. WHILE BREASTFEEDING WEEK IS
23 CELEBRATED WORLDWIDE DURING THE FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST, AUGUST
24 1-7, AND WE ARE PLEASED TO BE PART OF THAT. AS A BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS THIS YEAR, YOU ARE ENCOURAGING ALL HOSPITALS IN

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1 LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO BECOME CERTIFIED AS BABY-FRIENDLY
2 HOSPITALS. THIS IS A WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION INITIATIVE AND
3 UNICEF IS PART OF IT. THERE ARE 20,000 HOSPITALS WORLDWIDE
4 THAT ARE BABY-FRIENDLY DESIGNATED. THIS MEANS THEY FOLLOW THE
5 10 STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL BREASTFEEDING. AS THE EXECUTIVE
6 DIRECTOR OF THE BREASTFEEDING TASKFORCE OF GREATER LOS
7 ANGELES, OR BREASTFEED L.A., I COMMEND YOU ON THIS SUPPORT.
8 AND FOR THE THREE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
9 HOSPITALS THAT HAVE ACHIEVED THIS DESIGNATION DURING THIS LAST
10 YEAR WITH YOUR LEADERSHIP, OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL CENTER, HARBOR
11 U.C.L.A. AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY U.S.C., WHO WERE JUST HERE,
12 HAVE ACHIEVED THIS FANTASTIC DESIGNATION. 13 HOSPITALS IN OUR
13 COUNTY HAVE ACHIEVED IT AND THE THREE COUNTY ARE PART OF IT.
14 AND WHAT THEY SAY IS IF THE COUNTY CAN DO IT, ANYONE CAN DO
15 IT. SO WITH THIS MOTION THIS YEAR, YOU'RE ENCOURAGING THE REST
16 OF THE HOSPITALS, AND YOU'RE NOT DOING IT IN A VACUUM. YOU'RE
17 NOT JUST TELLING US TO GO OUT AND DO IT WITH NO SUPPORT FROM
18 THE COUNTY; INSTEAD, YOU'RE LEVERAGING THE AFFORDABLE CARE,
19 EXCUSE ME, THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT FUNDS.
20 THAT'S HOW THE COUNTY HOSPITALS BECAME BABY-FRIENDLY AND IT'S
21 PART OF OBESITY PREVENTION. WHEN BABIES ARE BREASTFED, THEY
22 HAVE LESS RISK OF OBESITY. AND WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF THE
23 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
24 HEALTH SERVICES, THE OTHER HOSPITALS NOW CAN FOLLOW SUIT. WITH
25 THE NEW FUNDING FROM THE COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT, THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES IS COLLABORATED WITH BREASTFEED
2 L.A. TO ASSIST THE OTHER HOSPITALS IN THE COUNTY. THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES HAS NOW A BABY-FRIENDLY
4 COORDINATOR WORKING IN THE MATERNAL CHILD AND ADOLESCENT
5 HEALTH DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT ALSO WORKS TO SUPPORT
6 HOSPITALS IN COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES. GOING FORWARD, WE LOOK
7 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY CLINICS TO PROVIDE
8 CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR BREASTFEEDING MOTHERS AND BABIES IN OUR
9 COUNTY. IN ADDITION, THE COUNTY THIS YEAR ADOPTED AND
10 IMPLEMENTED POLICY FOR WORKPLACE ACCOMMODATION PROGRAM THAT IS
11 COUNTY-WIDE. WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MS. PETERS.
14 OKAY.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ITEMS BEFORE YOU.
17 ITEM NO. 1, 3, 9. ON ITEM NO. 16, THIS ITEM WILL BE CONTINUED
18 ONE WEEK. ITEM NO. 19, 20, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 41, 45, 46, 48,
19 50, 56, ITEM 57 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, ITEM 60-A WILL BE
20 CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 4 AND ITEM NO. 60-B WILL BE CONTINUED
21 TO SEPTEMBER 4. THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY
24 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. SUPERVISOR
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU'RE UP FIRST. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNING

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1 MOTIONS? NOTHING. OKAY. I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING MOTION. I'D LIKE
2 TO ASK THAT THE BOARD ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF OSWALDO PAYA, A
3 LEADING CUBAN HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST AND ADVOCATE FOR DEMOCRACY
4 AND FREEDOM WHO DIED TRAGICALLY AT THE AGE 60 LAST WEEK IN A
5 CAR ACCIDENT. THE OFFICIAL CUBAN NEWS AGENCY REPORTED THAT IT
6 WAS A ONE-CAR ACCIDENT, BUT OTHER WITNESSES HAVE REPORTEDLY
7 SAID HIS CAR WAS RUN OFF THE ROAD BY ANOTHER VEHICLE. OSWALDO
8 WAS KNOWN INTERNATIONALLY AS THE LEADING CHAMPION OF THE
9 VARELA PROJECT, A PETITION DRIVE TO FORCE POLITICAL REFORM IN
10 CUBA THROUGH THE BALLOT BOX. BORN IN 1952 AS OSWALDO JOSE PAYA
11 SARDINAS, HE CAME FROM A LARGE CATHOLIC FAMILY AND GOT HIS
12 REARING IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. HE WAS A TRAINED ENGINEER,
13 EMPLOYED IN A CUBAN GOVERNMENT RUN FIRM BEFORE EMBARKING ON
14 HIS 25-YEAR CAREER AS A POLITICAL ACTIVIST. I HAD THE
15 PRIVILEGE OF VISITING HIS HOME AND HIS WIFE IN 2003 ON A VISIT
16 I MADE TO CUBA. HE WAS SCHEDULED, OSWALDO WAS SCHEDULED TO BE
17 THERE BUT ALL OF HIS PEOPLE HAD BEEN ROUNDED UP THAT AFTERNOON
18 THROUGHOUT THAT COUNTY AND HE WAS TENDING TO THEIR
19 CIRCUMSTANCE. I NEVER HAD A CHANCE TO MEET HIM PERSONALLY,
20 ALTHOUGH WE DID SPEAK ON THE PHONE. OSWALDO PAYA IS SURVIVED
21 BY HIS WIFE, OFELIA ACEVEDO; HIS THREE CHILDREN, OWSWALDO,
22 ROSA MARIA, AND RENALDO. I ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME ON
23 THIS. HE WAS A GREAT HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVIST AND A VERY
24 COURAGEOUS HUMAN BEING. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. WHY
25 DON'T WE TAKE UP 8, TERM LIMITS ISSUE. PARDON? WE HAVE TWO

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1 OTHER FOLKS WHO WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS. STEVEN LAMB AND
2 MICHAEL FEINSTEIN.

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4 **STEVEN LAMB:** GOOD MORNING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
5 I HOPE YOU'RE HAVING A GOOD MORNING THIS MORNING. BEFORE YOU
6 IS THE ISSUE OF TERM LIMITS. AND TERM LIMITS ARE VERY POPULAR
7 FOR SOME REASON WITH THE PEOPLE, I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND
8 WHY. SINCE WE'VE ADOPTED TERM LIMITS IN THE STATE OF
9 CALIFORNIA, OUR ASSEMBLY AND OUR STATE SENATE ARE CERTAINLY
10 RUN IN WORSE SHAPE THAN THEY WERE BEFORE TERM LIMITS. THE SAME
11 CAN BE SAID FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. WE'RE IN A SITUATION
12 RIGHT NOW WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE BOARD WILL RETIRE WITHIN A
13 TWO-YEAR SPAN. THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS AN EXTREMELY
14 COMPLEX GOVERNMENT, AS ALL OF YOU HAVE FOUND OUT. AND IT TAKES
15 A LONG TIME TO REALLY UNDERSTAND WHERE EVERYTHING IS, HOW
16 EVERYTHING FUNCTIONS, HOW EVERYTHING INTERRELATES AND HOW THE
17 ELECTED OFFICIALS CAN ACTUALLY HAVE INFLUENCE OVER THE
18 BUREAUCRACY AND CONTROL THAT BUREAUCRACY. AND WITH ALL OF THE
19 BOARD RETIRING, OR WITH FOUR OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD
20 RETIRING IN BASICALLY A TWO-YEAR SPAN, THE COUNTY WILL BE LEFT
21 WITH PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING. NO MATTER HOW
22 TALENTED THEY ARE, NO MATTER HOW COMMITTED THEY ARE, NO MATTER
23 HOW MANY OFFICES THEY'VE HAD SOMEWHERE ELSE IN STATE OR LOCAL
24 GOVERNMENT, BASICALLY THE COUNTY BECOME RUN BY THE
25 BUREAUCRACY. AND I DON'T THINK THAT'S THE INTENTION OF TERM

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1 LIMITS, BY FAR. AND I THINK WE REALLY NEED TO EXTEND THIS OUT
2 AND PERHAPS FIND SOME PEOPLE FOR EACH OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO BRING ON THEIR STAFFS AND THOROUGHLY
4 TRAIN. BECAUSE BASICALLY WE'RE LOOKING AT HAVING A VERY LARGE
5 RUDDERLESS SHIP. AND I PERSONALLY WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
6 ANTONOVICH FOR BRINGING UP THIS ISSUE. I KNOW HE'S TAKEN A LOT
7 OF HEAT. I KNOW THE LOS ANGELES TIMES AND OTHER PEOPLE HAVE
8 SAID THAT IT WAS A VERY SELF-SERVING MEASURE. AND I DON'T
9 THINK THAT'S REALLY HIS INTENT. I THINK HE'S REALLY LOOKED AT
10 THE DISASTER AHEAD OF US AND IN SPITE OF THE FACT THAT HE KNEW
11 IT WOULD GENERATE A LOT OF HEAT TOWARDS HIM, HE'S ACTUALLY
12 LOOKED OUT FOR THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY.
13 THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. FEINSTEIN?

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17 **MICHAEL FEINSTEIN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MICHAEL FEINSTEIN.
18 I'M A FORMER MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBER IN SANTA MONICA AND
19 I'M A SPOKESPERSON FOR THE GREEN PARTY OF CALIFORNIA. I'M HER
20 TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THE GREEN PARTY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
21 OPPOSES PLACING THIS ON THE BALLOT AND WILL OPPOSE IT IF IT
22 GOES ON THE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT. AND WE DO SO BOTH BECAUSE
23 IT'S COME AT THE LAST MINUTE, BECAUSE IT HASN'T BEEN PROCESSED
24 THROUGH THE GOOD GOVERNMENT AND ELECTORAL REFORM COMMUNITY AND
25 THE PUBLIC AT LARGE, BUT ALSO BECAUSE WE BELIEVE IT'S BAD

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1 ELECTORAL REFORM. WHY? WE'VE HEARD THIS THAT BELONGS ON THE
2 BALLOT BECAUSE IT'S SUPPOSED TO GIVE VOTERS MORE CHOICE. BUT
3 THE PRESENT WINNER-TAKE-ALL SYSTEM THAT WE OPERATE UNDER WHERE
4 WE CAN'T RANK OUR CHOICES AND WE'RE FORCED TO VOTE ONLY FOR
5 ONE CANDIDATE HAS MADE IT -- IT DISINCENTIVIZES GOOD
6 CANDIDATES TO RUN, ALTERNATIVE CANDIDATES TO RUN BECAUSE OF
7 THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF CONTESTING IN THESE SUPER LARGE
8 DISTRICTS. AND AS A RESULT, THESE ELECTIONS ARE CONTESTED
9 CYCLE AFTER CYCLE. SO WHAT THIS MEASURE WOULD DO IS
10 ESSENTIALLY WOULD EXTEND ONE OF THE MOST UNDEMOCRATIC
11 ELECTIONS WE HAVE IN THE UNITED STATES, WHERE WE HAVE 2
12 MILLION PERSON DISTRICTS THAT ARE UNCONTESTED TIME AFTER TIME,
13 ESSENTIALLY CREATING ELECTORAL FIEFDOMS. THAT'S NOT SOMETHING
14 THAT WE WANT TO INCREASE. SEVERAL YEARS AGO THERE WAS A MODEST
15 REFORM IN FRONT OF THE COMMUNITY TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF SEATS
16 FROM 5 TO 9 AND AT LEAST MAKE SMALLER DISTRICTS. MANY OF YOU
17 OPPOSED THAT MODEST REFORM AND IT DIDN'T PASS. THE GREEN PARTY
18 IN GENERAL BELIEVES THAT SINGLE SEED DISTRICTS THEMSELVES ARE
19 THE PROBLEM AND THAT WE BELIEVE THAT LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS
20 SHOULD BE MULTI-SEAT DISTRICTS WITH PROPORTIONAL
21 REPRESENTATION AND THAT TERM LIMITS ARE SIMPLY A BAND-AID
22 APPROACH ON A BROKEN SYSTEM THAT HAS SINGLE-MEMBER DISTRICTS.
23 SO WE DON'T SEE YOU BEING INTERESTED IN PUTTING IN MULTI-SEAT
24 DISTRICTS THAT WOULD ALLOW PROPORTIONAL REPRESENTATION WITH
25 REAL DIVERSITY IN OUR COMMUNITY TO BE ELECTED. SO INSTEAD WHAT

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1 WE BELIEVE YOU SHOULD BE DOING IS PUTTING INSTANT RUNOFF
2 VOTING ON THE BALLOT FOR YOUR SINGLE-SEAT DISTRICTS, WHICH
3 ALLOWS VOTERS TO RANK THEIR CHOICES. THE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE
4 WHEN THEY HAVE THAT OPTION, NOT ONLY IN IRELAND AND IN
5 AUSTRALIA WHERE THEY USE THESE SYSTEMS BUT IN ALAMEDA AND SAN
6 FRANCISCO COUNTIES, MORE PEOPLE RUN FOR THE BALLOT, VOTERS
7 HAVE MORE CHOICE AND WE HAVE A MORE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. ALSO
8 INSTANT RUNOFF VOTING, RANK CHOICE VOTING, ELIMINATING
9 RUNOFFS, SAVES MONEY, WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT FOR THE COUNTY
10 BECAUSE YOU DON'T HAVE TO PAY FOR SECOND ROUND ELECTIONS WHICH
11 OFTEN HAVE LOWER VOTER TURNOUT. DEAN LOGAN, YOUR COUNTY
12 REGISTRAR RIGHT NOW, IS LOOKING AT CHANGING THE SOFTWARE FOR
13 L.A. COUNTY TO INCORPORATE THE OPTION OF HAVING RANK CHOICE
14 VOTING, WHICH WHEN I WAS ON THE COUNCIL IN SANTA MONICA WE
15 WERE INTERESTED IN HAVING IT BECAUSE OUR ELECTIONS ARE
16 CONSOLIDATED WITH THE COUNTY. WE WEREN'T GOING TO DO THAT
17 UNTIL THE COUNTY PROVIDED THAT KIND OF VOTING EQUIPMENT. SO I
18 URGE THAT YOU REJECT THIS MOTION TODAY AND INSTEAD SEND NOTICE
19 TO DEAN LOGAN, ASK HIM TO ANALYZE PUTTING RANK CHOICE VOTING
20 IN THE SOFTWARE FOR THIS COUNTY SO YOU CAN GIVE VOTERS IN THIS
21 COUNTY MORE CHOICE. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. THAT CLOSES THE PUBLIC
24 HEARING. MR. ANTONOVICH?

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY PUT FORTH
2 AN AMENDMENT, WHICH IF HE SUPPORTS, I'LL SUPPORT THAT IF
3 YOU'LL VOTE FOR THE MOTION, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO ASK IS THERE
4 ANY SUBSTANTIVE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MY ORIGINAL MOTION AND
5 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S AMENDMENT?

6

7 **JOHN KRATTLI, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THE EFFECT OF
8 THE TWO MOTIONS BEFORE YOUR BOARD IS THE SAME. BOTH WOULD
9 EXTEND THE TERM LIMITS FROM THE CURRENTLY EXISTING THREE TERMS
10 TO FIVE TERMS. THE DIFFERENCE IS IN HOW THE BALLOT QUESTION IS
11 WORDED.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I DON'T HAVE ANY PROBLEM WITH THAT LIMIT
14 IF THE SUPERVISOR WILL SUPPORT THE GENERAL MOTION. TERM LIMITS
15 HAVE BEEN A WRECKING BALL IN SACRAMENTO. EVERY DAY, OUR
16 SCHOOLS OR OTHER CITIES AND COUNTIES ACROSS THIS STATE ARE
17 HAVING THE EXPERIENCE OF THAT WRECKING BALL. TODAY THE "LOS
18 ANGELES TIMES" HAS AN ARTICLE "DUARTE, LATEST CITY THAT HAS A
19 FINANCIAL PROBLEM." WE'VE HAD CUDAHY, THE CITY MANAGER WHO WAS
20 -- PLEADED TO A FEDERAL CRIME AND WILL GO TO FEDERAL
21 PENITENTIARY. A NUMBER OF OUR CITIES ARE GOING UNDER. WE DON'T
22 KNOW WHAT THE FUTURE'S GOING TO HOLD. HAVING THE VOTERS HAVE
23 THAT OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE IS
24 ALL THAT THIS MOTION DOES. IT WILL SET IN A FIVE-TERM LIMIT,
25 BUT IT WILL ALLOW THE VOTERS TO MAKE THE CHOICE. AND WITH THE

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1 ECONOMIC INSTABILITY THAT IS AT THE DOORSTEPS OF MANY OF OUR
2 88 CITIES, HAVING THE VOTERS MAKE THAT CHOICE IS WHAT THIS
3 PROPOSAL SIMPLY DOES. NO ONE IS SAYING THAT THEY ARE RUNNING
4 FOR RE-ELECTION. NOBODY KNOWS WHAT THE FUTURE IS GOING TO
5 HOLD. BUT IT GIVES THE VOTERS THAT OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THAT
6 CHOICE. AND AS WE ASKED OUR C.E.O. TWO WEEKS AGO TO PREPARE
7 WITH COUNTY COUNSEL HOW WE ARE GOING TO GOVERN IF OUR CITIES
8 DISINCORPORATE, IF OUR CITIES ARE FORCING TO BE CONSOLIDATED
9 OR TO MERGE, WE KNOW THAT THE COUNTY IS GOING TO HAVE TO
10 PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY. WE KNOW THAT THE COUNTY HAS THE ABILITY
11 TO TAKE A CITY'S PROPERTY TAXES TO PAY FOR THOSE PROGRAMS. BUT
12 IF THOSE PROGRAMS COST MORE THAN THE PROPERTY TAX WILL
13 PROVIDE, THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME TOUGH DECISIONS THAT HAVE
14 TO BE MADE. I'M VERY PROUD OF THIS BOARD THAT I SERVE ON. THIS
15 BOARD IS VERY DIVERSIFIED. BUT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO WORK
16 COOPERATIVELY WITH OUR LABOR ORGANIZATIONS. WE'RE IN THE
17 FOURTH YEAR OF NO COST OF LIVING BECAUSE WE HAVE WORKED
18 CONSTRUCTIVELY WITH THEM KNOWING THAT WE HAVE SOME TOUGH
19 PROBLEMS WORKING AS A PARTNERSHIP. I'M VERY PROUD THAT THIS
20 BOARD HAS WORKED TO REFORM CIVIL SERVICE UNANIMOUSLY,
21 SOMETHING THAT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CONTINUES TO IGNORE.
22 I'M PROUD THAT THIS BOARD HAS BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE
23 PRODUCTIVITY EFFICIENCY COMMITTEE AND THE ECONOMY EFFICIENCY
24 COMMITTEE WHICH HAS SAVED OVER BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BECAUSE WE
25 HAVE WORKED CONSTRUCTIVELY TOGETHER. THAT'S A PRIME EXAMPLE.

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1 THE "SAN JOSE MERCURY" DID AN EDITORIAL QUESTIONING TERM
2 LIMITS AS HAVING A DISRUPTIVE IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT
3 BECAUSE THEY KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SAN JOSE JUST AS THEY
4 KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN STOCKTON. WE KNOW THE CITY OF SAN
5 BERNADINO, THE AVERAGE TERM FOR THOSE OFFICE HOLDERS IN SAN
6 BERNADINO THAT IS FILING BANKRUPTCY IS FIVE YEARS. THERE ARE
7 SOME TOUGH DECISIONS AHEAD. AND HAVING BODIES WITH EXPERIENCE
8 WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC IS A BETTER ALTERNATIVE THAN TO HAVE -
9 - CREATE A CHAOTIC SITUATION SO WE ARE GOING TO BE A MINI
10 STATE OF CALIFORNIA, A WRECKING BALL FOR THE ENTIRE SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA REGION. SO THAT'S THE -- SO, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, YOUR
12 AMENDMENT, I WILL SECOND THAT IF YOU WILL VOTE FOR IT.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ALREADY SECONDED IT. ANY OTHER
15 DISCUSSION? I WOULD BE WILLING TO VOTE FOR THIS MEASURE TO BE
16 PLACED ON THE BALLOT IF IT DID NOT APPLY TO ANYBODY WHO
17 ALREADY WILL HAVE HAD FIVE TERMS. SO THAT NONE OF US, EXCEPT
18 FOR SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHO ONLY JUST STARTED -- HASN'T
19 EVEN STARTED HIS SECOND TERM YET, WOULD BE ABLE TO SERVE A
20 FULL FIVE TERMS. BUT THE REST OF US HAVE SERVED OR WILL HAVE
21 SERVED FIVE TERMS. UNDER THE CURRENT LAW, SOME MORE THAN
22 OTHERS. BUT EVERYONE WILL HAVE SERVED AT LEAST FIVE TERMS. SO
23 WHAT I WOULD PROPOSE, MR. ANTONOVICH, IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING
24 TO ACCEPT IT, AND WE CAN HAVE A MEETING OF THE MINDS, THAT IF
25 THE DATE -- ALL IT WOULD TAKE WOULD BE A CHANGE IN THE DATE,

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1 MR. KRATTLI, ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 2002 WOULD BE CHANGED TO ON
2 OR AFTER DECEMBER, 1994. IF YOU CAN DO THE MATH, JUST CHECK MY
3 MATH. BUT I THINK THAT COVERS EVERYONE HERE. IT WOULD NOT
4 ALLOW FOUR OF THE FIVE OF US HERE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS IF
5 IT WERE APPROVED EXCEPT FOR THE FIFTH ONE, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS,
6 WHO WILL NOT HAVE HAD MORE THAN TWO TERMS BY THE TIME THIS
7 WENT INTO EFFECT. SO WOULD YOU ACCEPT THAT?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OF COURSE NOT. YOUR AMENDMENT LAST WEEK,
10 WHICH YOU WERE VERY VOCIFEROUS ABOUT KIND OF FOLLOWED SOME OF
11 THE CRITICISM THAT A NEWSPAPER GAVE. AND TODAY THE NEWSPAPER
12 GIVES ANOTHER CRITICISM. AND NOW YOU FOLLOW THEIR LINE. I'D
13 RATHER WORK WITH MY COLLEAGUES WITH THE EXPERIENCE WE HAVE
14 HERE AND GO BEFORE THE VOTERS AND LET THEM TEST WHO THEY WANT
15 TO BE ELECTED INSTEAD OF FOLLOWING EDITORIALS THAT DON'T
16 ALWAYS LEAD TO PROGRESS BUT HELP CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT, MANY
17 TIMES, THAT HAVE CREATED ADDITIONAL PROBLEMS INSTEAD OF
18 SOLVING THOSE PROBLEMS. BUT MY POINT IS IF YOU WANT YOUR
19 AMENDMENT FROM LAST WEEK, I WILL SUPPORT THAT. IF YOU WANT TO
20 CHANGE TO THE SECOND AMENDMENT, I WOULD OPPOSE THAT BECAUSE I
21 WANT THE VOTERS TO MAKE THE DECISION AND LET THE VOTERS HAVE
22 THAT CHOICE AND NOT LIMIT THEM FROM ANY CHOICE THAT THIS
23 AMENDMENT THAT YOU'RE NOW PROPOSING WOULD PROVIDE, WHICH YOUR
24 FIRST AMENDMENT WOULD NOT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH, I MENTIONED THIS
2 CONCEPT LAST WEEK IN MY REMARKS. AND I ALSO DISCUSSED IT WITH
3 AT LEAST ONE OF MY COLLEAGUES THAT EVENING OR THE NEXT DAY. SO
4 THIS IS NOT SOMETHING -- THIS IS COMMON SENSE. IF THE ISSUE IS
5 A PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUE ABOUT TERM LIMITS, WHICH I TOTALLY AGREE
6 WITH, I'VE NEVER BEEN A FAN OF TERM LIMITS, THEN LET'S NOT
7 INCLUDE OURSELVES IN THIS MEASURE. IF THE ISSUE IS TO EXTEND
8 OUR OWN TERMS, AS MUCH AS I OPPOSE TERM LIMITS, I THINK 11
9 TERMS IS ENOUGH. IS MORE THAN ENOUGH, I SHOULD SAY. SIX TERMS
10 IS MORE THAN ENOUGH. FIVE TERMS, WHICH IS WHAT I WILL HAVE, IS
11 ENOUGH. I THINK THE NOTION THAT WE ARE THE ONLY FIVE PEOPLE IN
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO ARE QUALIFIED TO BE STEWARDS OF THIS
13 COUNTY GOING FORWARD IS SELLING THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY SHORT. AND I THINK OTHER PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE THAT
15 OPPORTUNITY. ANYWAY, I DON'T WANT TO BELABOR IT. I WOULD MOVE,
16 JUST FOR THE RECORD, THAT WE CHANGE THE EFFECTIVE DATE ON THE
17 MEASURE FROM ON OR AFTER DECEMBER, 2002 TO ON OR AFTER
18 DECEMBER, 1994. IS THERE A SECOND TO THAT? OKAY. THERE'S NO
19 SECOND. SO NOW WE HAVE THE ORIGINAL AMENDMENT, MY ORIGINAL
20 AMENDMENT FROM LAST WEEK BEFORE US. CALL THE ROLL.

21
22 **SUP. KNABE:** I SECONDED LAST WEEK.

23
24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, YOU SECONDED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT'S FOR SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S
2 AMENDMENT?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** JUST THE AMENDMENT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST THE AMENDMENT.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CORRECT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M ABSTAINING.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ABSTAIN.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE.

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3 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YOUR AMENDMENT CARRIES.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. SO NOW WE HAVE THE ITEM AS
6 AMENDED BEFORE US.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE THE MAIN PART OF THE MOTION WITH
9 THE AMENDMENT.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CALL THE ROLL.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DO YOU WANT ME TO REITERATE WHAT WE'RE --

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS AMENDED?

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT'S AS AMENDED. IT'S THE MAIN PART OF THE
22 MOTION TO PLACE IT ON THE BALLOT WITH THE AMENDED LANGUAGE.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M GOING TO CONTINUE TO ABSTAIN.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ABSTAIN? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ABSTAIN.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. THAT DOES NOT PASS.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE ON

20 THIS ITEM? IF NOT, LET'S GO ON.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ADD THAT HOPEFULLY WE'LL FOLLOW THE

23 SAME RATIONALE WHEN WE VOTE ON THE EXTENSION, MEASURE R.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE STARTING TO SOUND LIKE
2 SACHS.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I KNOW THE L.A. TIMES SUPPORTS THAT, SO MAYBE
5 I DON'T THINK THAT WOULD HAPPEN, SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WHAT ELSE?

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PERHAPS WE COULD TAKE UP ITEM 59? THIS IS
10 JUST FOR ME TO REPORT BACK TO YOUR BOARD ON THE TABULATION OF
11 THE BALLOTS. THIS IS THE PUBLIC HEARING ITEM FROM LAST WEEK?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. LET'S TAKE THAT UP.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
16 BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, THIS IS ITEM NO. 59.
17 AFTER TABULATING THE BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE
18 THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS AGAINST THE PROPOSED
19 ANNEXATIONS AND LEVYING OF THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS FOR COUNTY
20 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1697 AND COUNTY LIGHTING
21 DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT 1 CARSON ZONE. AS A
22 RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE
23 RESOLUTION ORDERING THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY INTO COUNTY
24 LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING AT 1 CARSON ZONE
25 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013.

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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY. SO THE TABULATION WAS?

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT THERE IS NO MAJORITY PROTEST.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO MAJORITY PROTEST, OKAY. SO THE
7 APPROPRIATE -- WE HAVE SOME PEOPLE WHO ASKED TO BE HEARD ON
8 THIS, CORRECT?

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO. THEY'VE ALREADY SPOKEN.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THEN WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE
13 US. THE APPROPRIATE MOTION WOULD BE TO APPROVE THE ASSESSMENT?

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE
16 ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY IN THE COUNTY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SORRY, THE ANNEXATION. OKAY. SO
19 MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
20 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. KNABE?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. FIRST OF ALL, SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS.
2 FIRST OF ALL, IN MEMORY OF BUD SMITH, A LONG, LONG TIME
3 RESIDENT OF AVALON, HE PASSED AWAY ON JULY 29 OF NATURAL
4 CAUSES. HE WAS BORN IN AVALON, RESIDED ON THE ISLAND OF
5 CATALINA WITH HIS FAMILY UP UNTIL HIS PASSING. HE WAS A TRUE
6 GENTLEMAN. HE IS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE CITY COUNCIL, MANY
7 TIMES MAYOR OF THE GREAT CITY OF AVALON. HIS LIFE WAS DEFINED
8 BY HIS BIG HEART, INTEGRITY, GENEROSITY, SENSE OF HUMOR,
9 SUCCESSFUL CAREERS AND MANY FRIENDS HE MADE THROUGH THE
10 ORGANIZATIONS TO WHICH HE BELONGED. HE SERVED ON THE AVALON
11 CITY COUNCIL FOR 22 CONSECUTIVE YEARS, SIX OF THEM AS MAYOR.
12 HE BECAME FIRST DIRECTLY ELECTED MAYOR OF AVALON AND WAS KNOWN
13 FOR CREATING THE FIRST VEHICLE REVIEW BOARD IN 1976 TO LIMIT
14 THE SIZE OF VEHICLES ON THE ISLAND. MANY OF YOU KNOW IT'S
15 PRIMARILY GOLF CARTS. HE WAS VERY, VERY PROUD. HE WAS A
16 LONGTIME PILOT FOR UNITED AIRLINES AND LITERALLY HAD ONE OF
17 THE EARLY BADGE NUMBERS, ONE OF THE EARLIEST PILOTS FOR UNITED
18 AIRLINES. WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO BUD'S FAMILY
19 AND HIS MANY FRIENDS ON THE ISLAND AND THROUGHOUT THE REGION.
20 HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, MARIE;
21 HIS FIVE CHILDREN, TOM, SHELIE, DENISE, MIKE AND CHARMANE.
22 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CRAIG STEVEN IWAMI, BROTHER OF MY
23 NEIGHBOR, WHO PASSED AWAY ON JULY 5 AT THE VERY YOUNG AGE OF
24 49. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, CHRISTINE; A DAUGHTER, KATIE;
25 MOTHER, MARY; GRANDMOTHER, FUJYE; SISTER, DIANE; BROTHER,

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1 KIRKI; UNCLE, JAMES; AND MANY IN-LAWS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.
2 HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. VERY SHORT FIGHT BUT AT A VERY
3 TENDER AGE. FINALLY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN BOGERT, A
4 LONGTIME "DAILY BREEZE" COLUMNIST WHO LOST HIS LENGTHY BATTLE
5 WITH CANCER. HE GREW UP IN FLORIDA, WAS A TRACK STAR IN
6 FLORIDA. HE MET HIS FIRST WIFE ON A TRIP TO EUROPE AFTER
7 COLLEGE. HE BECAME A FEATURES REPORTER AT THE "DAILY BREEZE"
8 IN 1979 AND REALLY WAS THE VOICE OF THE SOUTH BAY AND BECAME
9 ONE OF THE BREEZE'S LONGEST-SERVING EMPLOYEES UNTIL HIS RECENT
10 RETIREMENT DUE TO ILLNESS. AS I SAID, HE BECAME THE VOICE OF
11 SOUTH BAY, WRITING CLOSE TO 7,000 COLUMNS ON TOPICS FROM
12 POLITICS TO EVENTS IMPACTING SOUTH BAY RESIDENTS TO STORIES
13 ABOUT HIS FAMILY. HE'S USED HIS COLUMNS TO HELP RAISE MONEY
14 FOR WORTHY CAUSES, INCLUDING THE MOST RECENT REDONDO VETERANS
15 MEMORIAL AS WELL AS CHEER FOR CHILDREN. OUR DEEPEST
16 CONDOLENCES TO JOHN AND HIS FAMILY, FRIENDS AND ALL THE
17 READERS WHO WILL MISS HIS VERY, VERY POPULAR COLUMN. THOSE ARE
18 MY ADJOURNMENTS.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH. DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNING MOTIONS?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL UP ITEM 12.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SUPERVISOR KNABE WISHES TO HAVE ITEM 12
2 BROUGHT FORWARD. SUPERVISOR?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, THIS IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY.
5 AND ONCE AGAIN, VERY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT GOING TO THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT OF
7 MENTAL HEALTH. OBVIOUSLY WE NEED TO WATCH THIS VERY CLOSELY.
8 IT'S OBVIOUS THAT I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT FIRST FIVE AND MOVING
9 LARGE POCKETS OF MONEY LIKE THIS AND YET SMALLER PROGRAMS
10 BEING DENIED SUPPORT. THIS IS AN UNPRECEDENTED ACTION. AND
11 THIS CREATION OF A STRATEGIC INITIATIVE FUND IS CERTAINLY A
12 UNIQUE APPROACH. AS I SAID, IT'S REGRETTABLE AT TIMES THAT
13 FIRST FIVE HAS BEEN UNABLE TO EFFECTIVELY MOVE THEIR DOLLARS
14 OUT THE DOOR OVER THE YEARS, ESPECIALLY IN THE FACE OF ALL THE
15 DEEP CUTS TO THE PROGRAMS THAT SERVE OUR CHILDREN AND
16 FAMILIES. SO WHILE I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THIS AND I UNDERSTAND THE
17 RATIONALE, I DO WANT TO ASK SOME QUESTIONS, PARTICULARLY OF
18 PUBLIC HEALTH, SINCE THEY ARE RECEIVING THE LION'S SHARE OF
19 THIS FUNDING. YOUR DEPARTMENT IS RECEIVING \$70 MILLION FROM
20 FIRST FIVE ALL IN ONE SHOT. HOW MUCH OF THIS DO YOU PROJECT
21 SPENDING EACH YEAR? AND HOW WILL THIS BE TRACKED?

22

23 **JON FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, JON FREEDMAN, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
24 HEALTH. THE FUNDING FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS IN
25 THREE AREAS, AN ANTI-OBESITY PROJECT, A SUBSTANCE ABUSE

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1 PROJECT, AS WELL AS WHAT'S KNOWN AS THE HEALTHY KIDS OUTREACH
2 PROJECT. THAT LAST PROJECT HAS BEEN RUNNING AT ABOUT A \$4
3 MILLION PROGRAM LEVEL FOR ABOUT NINE YEARS, AND IT IS FULLY
4 OPERATIONAL WITH CONTRACT AGENCIES IN THE COMMUNITY. THE
5 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROJECT IS APPROXIMATELY \$5 MILLION PER YEAR,
6 AND WE ARE AT THE FRONT END OF GETTING THAT PROJECT UNDERWAY
7 WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES AS WELL AS CONTRACT STAFF THAT WILL
8 ASSIST THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES STAFF IN
9 IDENTIFYING SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESOURCES FOR CLIENTS THAT THEY
10 MAY ENGAGE IN. THE LAST PROJECT, THE OBESITY PROJECT, IS A
11 FOUR-YEAR PROJECT. AND WE'RE SCHEDULED TO -- IT'S LAID OVER I
12 MENTIONED FOUR YEARS, \$40 MILLION OVER FOUR YEARS. AND WE'RE
13 SCHEDULED AT THE FIRST YEAR TO SPEND ABOUT \$4 MILLION OF THAT,
14 PRIMARILY IN CONTRACTED STAFF AS WELL AS CONTRACTING WITH THE
15 COMMUNITY. THE BIG RAMP UP WILL OCCUR IN YEAR 2 WITH INCREASED
16 RESOURCES THROUGH COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS WITH COMMUNITY
17 AGENCIES. ALL OF THE FUNDS, I SHOULD NOTE, LIKE ALL OF OUR
18 GRANTS, THE ACTIVITY HAS TO OCCUR IN ORDER FOR THE FUNDING TO
19 BE IN THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. SO WE HAVE TO, IN ESSENCE,
20 INCUR THE COSTS EITHER THROUGH STAFF OR CONTRACT AGENCIES HAVE
21 TO EARN THE WORK IN ESSENCE IN ORDER TO BE REIMBURSED. THESE
22 GRANTS ARE IN ARREARS THROUGH FIRST FIVE.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IT APPEARS THAT -- I MEAN, THAT'S A VERY
25 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT LESS THAN THE \$70 MILLION THAT YOU'RE

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1 GETTING. SO WHAT HAPPENS IF YOUR DEPARTMENT LEAVES MONEY ON
2 THE TABLE? DOES IT STAY IN THE INITIATIVE OR DOES IT GO BACK
3 TO FIRST FIVE?

4

5 **JON FREEDMAN:** THERE'S A MECHANISM AS WE DO CURRENTLY WITH
6 FIRST FIVE AND OTHER GRANTING AGENCIES TO LOOK AT EXPENDITURES
7 IN THE PERIOD TO SEE WHETHER THOSE SHOULD BE REALLOCATED OR
8 MOVED TO ANOTHER PERIOD OR IN SOME INSTANCES THE GRANTING
9 AGENCY MAY WANT THE DOLLARS TO BE RETURNED IF THEY'RE UNUSED.
10 BUT WE FULLY ANTICIPATE USING ALL THE RESOURCES.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT IS THERE LIMITATIONS WHERE YOU CAN MOVE IT?
13 ALL OF A SUDDEN YOU CAN'T CREATE A NEW PROGRAM THAT WASN'T --
14 I MEAN, THIS GRANT IS BASED ON CERTAIN PROGRAMS.

15

16 **JON FREEDMAN:** IT HAS TO BE WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF THE
17 GRANTING AGENCY, IN THIS INSTANCE, FIRST FIVE'S DEFINITION OF
18 WHAT THE PARAMETERS ARE FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE, FOR ANTI-OBESITY
19 AS WELL AS WE PROVIDED A DETAILED SCOPE OF WORK TO FIRST FIVE
20 WHICH THEY'VE APPROVED FOR EACH OF THESE PROJECTS.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, ONE OF THE THINGS MENTIONED THERE ABOUT
23 LEVERAGING STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS, WHAT FUNDS DO YOU PLAN TO
24 LEVERAGE AND HOW MUCH?

25

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1 **JON FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE A MECHANISM THROUGH OUR
2 MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH GRANT THAT ALLOWS CERTAIN
3 DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES TO ACCESS FEDERAL MEDICAID DOLLARS.
4 AND WE CAN PICK UP APPROXIMATELY A 3 TO \$4 MILLION MATCH OUT
5 OF THE TOTAL FIRST FIVE PACKAGE HERE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** THEN THERE'S \$41 MILLION FOR REDUCING CHILDHOOD
8 OBESITY. WHERE WILL ALL OF THESE FUNDS GO?

9

10 **JON FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, ABOUT -- THAT'S A MULTI-YEAR
11 PROJECT. IT IS TO AUGMENT OUR ACTIVITIES THAT WE'VE BEEN
12 FINANCED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THROUGH THE STIMULUS
13 FUNDS AS WELL AS THROUGH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, WHAT'S KNOWN
14 AS THE COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT. ABOUT 27 MILLION OF
15 THOSE \$41 MILLION ARE GOING TO COMMUNITY-LEVEL INITIATIVES, OF
16 WHICH 18 IS THROUGH COMMUNITY AGENCIES TO PROMOTE HEALTHY
17 EATING, ACTIVE LIVING IN VARIOUS COMMUNITY SETTINGS THROUGH
18 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. THERE'S A SOCIAL MARKETING AND
19 MEDIA CAMPAIGN THAT WE'VE EMPLOYED, AS WELL, AND THAT WE'RE
20 PROPOSING IN THIS INITIATIVE, AND THERE'S ALSO SPECIFIC
21 ACTIONS RELATIVE TO WHAT IS KNOWN AS INTER-CONCEPTION CARE,
22 THE HEALTH NEEDS OF WOMEN BETWEEN THEIR BIRTHS PERIOD IN ORDER
23 TO PROMOTE THEIR OPTIMAL LIFESTYLE, HEALTHY EATING, ACTIVE
24 LIVING.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THE OTHER, OBVIOUSLY, QUESTION THAT YOU ALWAYS
2 HAVE, FOR FIRST FIVE TO BE SUCCESSFUL AND THE WHOLE PURPOSE OF
3 FIRST FIVE AND THE TAX WAS TO HAVE DECLINING SMOKERS. AND SO
4 IT HAS BASICALLY A REVENUE DROP-OFF WHEN IT CONTINUES TO DROP
5 OFF, WHICH IS GOING TO HAPPEN IF THE PROGRAM IS SUCCESSFUL. SO
6 MY QUESTION IS: IN ROLLING OUT NEW PROGRAMS, SOME OF THIS
7 FUNDING MAY NOT BE AROUND IN FOUR, FIVE, SIX YEARS. WHAT
8 HAPPENS TO THE PROGRAMS?

9

10 **JON FREEDMAN:** WELL, THOSE ARE DECISIONS FOR FIRST FIVE. I
11 MEAN, WE WOULD BE ABLE TO RAMP DOWN --

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT THOSE DECISIONS WOULD IMPACT YOU BECAUSE
14 YOU'RE BASING IT ON REVENUE FOR FIRST FIVE.

15

16 **JON FREEDMAN:** CORRECT. WE ENCOUNTER THIS IN MANY FUNDED
17 PROGRAMS TODAY. THE PROGRAMS THAT ARE SUBJECT TO THE STATE
18 BUDGET ACT OR APPROPRIATIONS IN CONGRESS. WE TAG OUR STAFF
19 POSITIONS AS GRANT FUNDED, IT ALLOWS US TO REDEPLOY. AND WE
20 HAVE MECHANISMS WITHIN OUR CONTRACTS TO RAMP DOWN PROGRAMS AS
21 WE HAVE ACTUALLY THROUGH THIS ECONOMIC DECLINE OVER THE LAST
22 FOUR YEARS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** SO FIRST FIVE, HOW DO THEY TRACK THE DOLLARS? ARE
25 THERE AUDITS? WHAT GOES ON?

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CHRISTINE ALTMYER: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR, MY NAME IS
CHRISTINE ALTMYER, I'M HERE REPRESENTING CRAIG STEELE, WHO IS
THE C.E.O. AT FIRST FIVE L.A. THE WAY THE DOLLARS WILL BE
TRACKED IS WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S
OFFICE AND THEY'LL BE ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND IN
WHICH THE FUNDS WILL BE DEPOSITED AND THEN THERE WOULD BE
REIMBURSEMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT AFTER THE DEPARTMENT MAKES
CLAIMS FOR THOSE SPECIFIC EXPENDITURES. AND THEN ON AN ANNUAL
BASIS, THERE WOULD BE AN AUDIT OF THOSE, AND THOSE RESULTS
WOULD BE PRESENTED TO FIRST FIVE L.A.

12

SUP. KNABE: OKAY, THANK YOU. THAT'S ALL THE QUESTIONS I HAVE.

14

SUP. MOLINA: WELL, I CAN'T BELIEVE THE RIPOFF THAT IS GOING ON
HERE, THE STEALING OF MONEY FROM THE MOUTHS OF BABES, AS IT'S
SAID. IT'S AMAZING HOW YOU WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN REMOVING THE
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WHO HAS ALWAYS HONORED THIS LAW AS TO HOW
FIRST FIVE MONEY WAS SUPPOSED TO BE IMPLEMENTED. AND NOW AS
SITTING MEMBERS, MARV AND DR. FIELDING, YOU GO IN AND RIP OFF
\$87 MILLION. SHAME ON YOU. I KNOW YOU RECUSED YOURSELF JUST SO
IT LOOKED CLEAN, BUT IT'S DIRTY AS IT CAN BE. IT IS THE
BEGINNING OF TAKING APART THAT FUND AND SUPPLEMENTING COUNTY
SERVICES IN A DEPARTMENT THAT DOESN'T EVEN MONITOR MOST OF THE
CONTRACTS THAT GO ON. THERE WERE NO PROPOSALS THAT WERE

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1 SUBMITTED. NOBODY KNOWS WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. BOTH OF YOU
2 JUST RIPPED OFF \$87 MILLION. FOR MANY OF US WHO HAVE THIS
3 INITIATIVE PASS, WHO WORKED VERY HARD, AND MANY OF US WHO HAVE
4 PROTECTED THIS MONEY BEING RIPPED OFF BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE
5 FROM TIME TO TIME ALWAYS THAT IT BE A FUND FOR CHILDREN. I
6 CAN'T BELIEVE THAT YOU TWO SAT THERE AND ALLOWED THIS TO
7 HAPPEN. AND I THINK IT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING. BEFORE YOU KNOW
8 IT, EACH OF US ARE GOING TO BE DIPPING IN THERE AND THINK
9 WE'RE ENTITLED TO SOME OF THAT MONEY. I THINK IT'S SHAMEFUL
10 WHAT'S GOING ON. IT'S SHAMEFUL THAT CRAIG STEELE IS ALLOWING
11 IT. HE KNOWS THE LAW. IT ISN'T PERMISSIBLE. AND THIS IS THE
12 BEGINNING SO THAT WHEN IT WON'T BE ABLE TO STAND UP AS
13 FIERCELY NEXT TIME THERE'S AN INITIATIVE WITH THE VOTERS, WHEN
14 THIS MONEY IS GOING TO THE COUNTY, \$87 MILLION, THE BEGINNING
15 OF THE GREAT RIPOFF. SHAME ON BOTH OF YOU. SHAME ON YOU. AND I
16 KNOW THAT I'LL BE MONITORING THE PROGRAM BECAUSE, MARV, YOUR
17 PROGRAMS ON A REGULAR BASIS, YOU KNOW, YOU PROVIDE SERVICES
18 FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND YOU DON'T EVEN WATCH WHAT'S GOING ON.
19 AND IN PUBLIC HEALTH, OH PLEASE, OBESITY? PLEASE. THEY WERE
20 TRYING TO MAKE UP STUFF ALONG THE WAY JUST TO RIP OFF THE
21 MONEY. SHAME ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND SHAME ON THE
22 MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. YOU SHOULD CREATE PROGRAMS IN THE
23 COMMUNITY THAT CAN APPLY FOR THESE FUNDS DIRECTLY SO THAT
24 EVERYBODY'S IN THE SAME PLACE. IT'S SHAMEFUL WHAT YOU'VE DONE.
25

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER
2 DISCUSSION? CALL THE ROLL ON THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ABSTAIN.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS MOTION FAILS TO CARRY, IT'S A FOUR-
25 VOTE ITEM.

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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FOR HIS
5 ADJOURNMENTS?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

8

9 **SHEILA SHIMA:** SACHI, IF I COULD ASK ON ITEM 12. I THINK THERE
10 WERE TWO ITEMS THAT WERE INCLUDED IN THERE. ONE WAS THE FOUR-
11 VOTE ITEM WHICH IS THE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT, THE APPROPRIATION
12 ADJUSTMENT. THE AGREEMENT ITSELF IS A THREE-VOTE ITEM. I WOULD
13 LIKE TO ASK IF WE COULD CONSIDER SEPARATING THOSE TWO ITEMS.
14 THE FOUR-VOTE ITEM WOULD ACTUALLY BE CREATED TO ACKNOWLEDGE
15 THE REVENUE IN THE COUNTY BUDGET. BUT THE AGREEMENT ITSELF
16 COULD BE MOVED FORWARD AND WE COULD COME BACK AT A LATER DATE
17 WITH A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. I'LL ENTERTAIN THAT. IS
20 THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT? THE AGREEMENT BEING APPROVED?

21

22 **JON FREEDMAN:** SUPERVISOR, IF I CAN --

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

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1 **JON FREEDMAN:** -- CLARIFY. TWO OF THE FUNDING STREAMS FOR THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH HAVE ALREADY BEEN ACCEPTED THROUGH
3 PRIOR BOARD ACTIONS. SO THIS IS REALLY INCORPORATING THE
4 SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND THE HEALTHY KIDS PROJECT INTO THIS LARGER
5 FUNDING AGREEMENT. AT SOME POINT IN ORDER FOR THE DEPARTMENT
6 TO MOVE ON THE ANTI-OBESITY ACTIVITY, WE WILL NEED AN ACTION
7 TO ACCEPT THE GRANT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON. THESE ARE ALL PROGRAMS
10 THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE FIRST FIVE COMMISSION.

11

12 **JON FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEY ARE AGREEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN
15 MADE WITH YOUR VARIOUS AGENCIES BY THE COMMISSION, IS THAT
16 CORRECT?

17

18 **JON FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SOME OF THESE GO BACK TO 2010, IS
21 THAT CORRECT?

22

23 **JON FREEDMAN:** CORRECT.

24

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS THE
2 CHAIR, AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WAS THE CHAIR IN 2011 AND NOW
3 I'M THE CHAIR. SO IF THIS IS A RIPOFF, IT STARTED IN 2010.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO. YOU REMEMBER THE PROCESS.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IT'S NOT A RIPOFF.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** THIS IS DOLLARS -- YOU INVOKED MY NAME, SIR.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DID. I DID. BUT SOMEBODY'S GOT
12 TO STAND UP WHEN YOU CASTIGATE AN ENTIRE GROUP OF BUREAUCRATS
13 AS RIPOFF ARTISTS, WHICH IS NOT FAIR, IT'S NOT RIGHT, BUT IT'S
14 COME TO BE EXPECTED. SO LET'S JUST SEE HOW WE GET THIS. RIGHT
15 NOW THE FUNDS ARE AT FIRST FIVE. FIRST FIVE CAN DISBURSE THOSE
16 MONIES TO YOU FOR THE, PURSUANT TO THIS AGREEMENT.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** OR DIRECTLY TO THE PROGRAM.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AS THEY'VE DONE IN THE PAST. SO
21 WHAT I WOULD SUGGEST IS THAT WE APPROVE THE AGREEMENT, WHICH
22 IS A THREE-VOTE ITEM, THAT YOU PROCEED, THAT FIRST FIVE WILL
23 PROCEED TO FUND IT THE WAY IT HAS PREVIOUSLY FUNDED IT. AND
24 WE'LL SEE IF WE CAN RESOLVE THIS ISSUE SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE.
25 IT'S NOT CRITICAL THAT THE MONEY BE TRANSFERRED. IT WAS REALLY

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1 TO ADVANTAGE THE PROGRAMS AND CUT SOME OF THE BUREAUCRACY THAT
2 HAD BEEN HOLDING BACK THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE PROGRAMS.
3 BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO MAKE PEOPLE JUMP THROUGH NOT ONLY OUR
4 HOOPS BUT THE FIRST FIVE HOOPS, THAT'S FINE WITH ME. THIS IS
5 NOT WHAT I'M GOING TO DIE ON THE SWORD ON. SO I WOULD MOVE
6 THAT WE APPROVE THE AGREEMENTS. OKAY. I MOVE WE RECONSIDER THE
7 WHOLE ITEM. THEN WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. WITHOUT
8 OBJECTION. KNABE MOVES, RIDLEY-THOMAS SECONDS THAT WE APPROVE
9 THE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN FIRST FIVE AND THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.
10 MOLINA IS A NO VOTE. ANYBODY ELSE?

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT I WISH TO SPEAK.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CERTAINLY.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. SO, SHEILA, SHARE WITH US HOW THIS IS
17 DIFFERENT.

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19 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THAT THE PROPOSAL THAT WAS BEFORE YOU THAT WAS A
20 FOUR-VOTE ITEM WAS A --

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, SHARE WITH US HOW THIS MONEY WAS GOING
23 DIRECTLY TO THESE AGENCIES AND HOW IT'S GOING TO WORK NOW.

24

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1 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THE WAY THAT THE FUNDS ARE -- WERE PROPOSED TO
2 BE HANDLED WAS FOR \$87.3 MILLION TO ACTUALLY BE TRANSFERRED TO
3 A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND WITHIN THE COUNTY.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S RIGHT. IT WAS IN THE COUNTY. NOW WHERE WAS
6 IT BEFORE?

7

8 **SHEILA SHIMA:** FIRST FIVE L.A.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND SO NOW ALL OF THIS MONEY, \$87 MILLION NOW
11 REVERTS TO THE COUNTY FOR ITS SOLE DECISION MAKING, IS THAT
12 CORRECT?

13

14 **SHEILA SHIMA:** NO.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. TELL ME ABOUT THAT.

17

18 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THE FUNDS WILL REMAIN WITH FIRST FIVE L.A. THEY
19 WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED TO THE COUNTY, TO THE SPECIAL REVENUE
20 FUND.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHAT DETERMINATION WILL THEY
23 MAKE AS TO WHAT SERVICES ARE PROVIDED? WHAT DETERMINATION WILL
24 FIRST FIVE MAKE?

25

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1 **SHEILA SHIMA:** FIRST FIVE L.A. HAS ALREADY APPROVED THE USES OF
2 THE FUNDS AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE LETTER.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEN WHY NOT LEAVE THEM THERE?

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6 **SHEILA SHIMA:** I'M SORRY, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHY NOT LEAVE THE FUNDS THERE?

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10 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THEY ARE. THE FUNDS WILL BE --

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT WHY IS IT THAT THE COUNTY
13 MECHANISM IS INVOLVED HERE, SHEILA?

14

15 **SHEILA SHIMA:** DO YOU MEAN IN TERMS OF WHY IT WAS PROPOSED THAT
16 THE FUNDS BE TRANSFERRED TO THE COUNTY?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES. WHY ARE THEY COMING TO THE COUNTY AS
19 COMPARED TO LEAVING IT IN THE FIRST FIVE FUND?

20

21 **SHEILA SHIMA:** PART OF THE ADVANTAGE OF THE FUNDS COMING TO THE
22 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ACTUALLY BEING TRACKED AS PART OF
23 THE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND WAS THAT IT WOULD BE SHOWN IN A
24 PUBLIC DOCUMENT, WHICH IS THE COUNTY BUDGET.

25

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THAT WOULD MEAN WHAT?

2

3 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THROUGH THAT MECHANISM, IT COULD BE SHOWN WHAT
4 THE EXPENDITURES WERE OCCURRING ON AN ANNUAL BASIS.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS COMPARED TO WHAT?

7

8 **SHEILA SHIMA:** AS OPPOSED TO IT REMAINING IN THE FIRST FIVE
9 L.A. BUDGET, WHICH IS NOT PUBLISHED IN A PUBLIC DOCUMENT.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES IT IS. IT'S PUBLISHED IN THEIR ANNUAL REPORT
12 IN A PUBLIC DOCUMENT.

13

14 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THEN I THINK I WILL HAVE TO DEFER TO FIRST FIVE
15 ON THAT.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT MY ISSUE IS HERE THAT WHAT YOU WERE DOING IS,
18 INSTEAD OF GOING THROUGH THE REGULAR PROCESS AS WE DO WITH ALL
19 AGENCIES AS FAR AS REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS, OUTLINING THOSE
20 PROPOSALS, GETTING THEM, YOU'RE GIVING \$87 MILLION TO THESE
21 TWO DEPARTMENTS TO SUPPOSEDLY SPEND ON THESE PROGRAMS THAT ARE
22 YET NOT COMPLETELY DEFINED ZERO TO FIVE. YES, THEY'VE BEEN
23 DOING SOME PROGRAMMING IN MENTAL HEALTH FOR ZERO TO SEVEN, I
24 UNDERSTAND. I THINK THEY'VE BEEN TRAINING MOMS ON OBESITY
25 BEFORE. SO NOW YOU'RE SUPPLEMENTING THESE PROGRAMS THAT THE

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1 COUNTY HAS HAD. AND THERE ARE A LOT OF NONPROFIT PROVIDERS OUT
2 THERE. BUT IT IS THE BEGINNING OF HOW THE COUNTY WILL CONTINUE
3 TO DO THAT. MAYBE MARV OR DR. FIELDING WILL SHARE WITH OTHER
4 DEPARTMENTS HOW THEY CAN RIP OFF FIRST FIVE AND ITS MILLIONS
5 TO GO INTO THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND, WHICH IS HOW -- AND YOU
6 KNOW, MARV, EVERY SINGLE TIME THIS INITIATIVE HAS COME UP WHEN
7 THE LEGISLATURE HAS BEEN WANTING TO TAKE OUT THE MONEY, THE
8 ONLY THING THAT SAVES IT ON A REGULAR BASIS IS THE FACT THAT
9 IT'S GOT INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY WHEN IT COMES TO ITS
10 FUNDING THAT IT'S PROVIDED FOR INTENDED RESOURCES, IT IS NOT
11 BEING USED TO SUPPLANT SERVICES IN THE COUNTY WHEN IT CUTS
12 BACK. THAT KIND OF INTEGRITY VOTERS HAVE RESPECTED. ONCE WE
13 START SEEING THIS DOWNHILL SPIRAL OF THE COUNTY GOING IN AND
14 ATTEMPTING TO RIP OFF THE MILLIONS THAT IT HAS -- AND I KNOW
15 THAT EVERYBODY HERE IS LOOKING AT IT WITH ENVY AS TO HOW
16 THEY'RE GOING TO CREATE A SET OF PROGRAMS TO GO IN THERE AND
17 UTILIZE THESE FUNDS AND TALK ABOUT, OH, EFFICIENCY, ELIMINATE
18 THE BUREAUCRACY. THERE ISN'T A BIGGER BUREAUCRACY THAN L.A.
19 COUNTY. L.A. COUNTY CAN'T DO ITS R.F.P.-ING CORRECT. WE HAVE
20 SEEN IT IN EVERY SINGLE DEPARTMENT ACROSS-THE-BOARD. WE ARE
21 REMINDED ON A REGULAR BASIS. AND ALL OF A SUDDEN THE COUNTY
22 KNOWS BETTER HOW TO RIP OFF \$87 MILLION AND GET IT TO THOSE
23 PROVIDERS. IT IS THE BEGINNING OF TRYING TO RIP OFF MONEY. AND
24 NOW WHEN THE STATE LEGISLATURE COMES IN AND ASKS FOR ITS SHARE
25 OF THESE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS, YOU GUYS AREN'T GOING TO BE ABLE

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1 TO STAND UP WITH THE KIND OF INTEGRITY BEFORE THE PUBLIC AND
2 SAY THAT ISN'T THE CASE. IT REALLY IS A VERY SHAMEFUL ACT. SO
3 NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU DICE IT, SLICE IT OR CUT IT, IT'S A
4 ROBBERY. IT IS ILLEGAL. IT IS INAPPROPRIATE. BUT YOU'RE IN
5 CAHOOTS WITH THE PEOPLE DOING IT. IT'S CALLED A GREAT CONFLICT
6 OF INTEREST. SHAME ON ALL OF YOU.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE A MOTION FROM KNABE,
9 SECONDED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENTS. CALL THE
10 ROLL.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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14 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR
17 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MARK? THIS IS ON THE AGREEMENTS.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ABSTAIN.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ABSTAIN?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO. THIS IS A THREE-VOTE ITEM. ALL
2 RIGHT. GO AHEAD. COME BACK TO HIM.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AYE.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AYE. AND RECORD MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS
15 AS AN ABSTENTION I THINK IS WHAT HE WAS ARGUING FOR. OKAY.
16 THAT IS APPROVED. LET ME ASK THAT THE REMAINDER OF THE ITEM
17 DEALING WITH THE RECOGNITION BE REFERRED BACK TO THE C.E.O.'S
18 OFFICE AND WE'LL FOLLOW THAT UP SUBSEQUENTLY, BUT THE FUNDING
19 WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THE PROGRAMS THAT NEED TO BE INITIATED
20 IMMEDIATELY. OKAY. MR. KNABE, IS THAT THE ONLY ITEM YOU WERE
21 HOLDING?

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT WAS IT.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF

3 A GOOD FRIEND, JOHN "SHAG" SHAUGHNESSY, WHO WAS MY DEPUTY.

4 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. HE SPENT 30 YEARS WITH THE

5 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AS A SERGEANT. HE WAS ALSO A SECURITY

6 OFFICER FOR THE STEVEN SPIELBERG. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS AT

7 CRESCENTA VALLEY STATION COORDINATING CIVILIAN DEFENSE AND

8 SEARCH AND RESCUE. A LONGTIME FIFTH DISTRICT RESIDENT OF THE

9 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND LA CANADA-FLINTRIDGE. WAS A MEMBER OF THE

10 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS, A VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR. AND

11 HE LEAVES HIS WIFE, BEA; FOUR SONS, KEVIN, MARK, MARK WHO IS A

12 DETECTIVE WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S

13 MAJOR CRIMES BUREAU, TIMOTHY, AND MICHAEL; AND TWO DAUGHTERS,

14 COLLEEN AND KATHY; AND 12 GRANDCHILDREN AND 3 GREAT

15 GRANDCHILDREN. HE WAS A GREAT FRIEND. HE WAS WITH ME WHEN EACH

16 OF MY CHILDREN WERE BORN AT ST. JOSEPH'S, AND JUST A REAL FINE

17 MAN AND OUR SYMPATHIES TO HIS FAMILY. BILL MOSER PASSED AWAY

18 AT THE AGE OF 90. HE HAD TAUGHT 30 YEARS WITH L.A. UNIFIED

19 SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE WAS MY ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR AT EDISON JR.

20 HIGH SCHOOL AND LATER WHEN I TAUGHT AT WILSON HIGH SCHOOL, HE

21 WAS A TEACHER THERE. SO WE TAUGHT TOGETHER, AS WELL. AND WHEN

22 WE HAVE OUR REUNIONS FROM THE GRADUATES OF FREEMONT, EDISON,

23 RUSSELL ELEMENTARY AND HUNTINGTON PARK HIGH SCHOOL, HE HAS

24 ATTENDED THOSE IN THE PAST. HE LEAVES HIS SON, WILLIAM, JR.;

25 TWO SISTERS AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN AND THREE GREAT

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1 GRANDCHILDREN. VERY FINE MAN, GOOD ROLE MODEL. MIKE AND AIKI
2 FUJII PASSED AWAY. THEY WERE THE AUNT AND UNCLE OF MY FORMER
3 LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE,
4 JOAN KAWADA CHAN. AND THEY WERE A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL FAMILY.
5 TED GREIG PASSED AWAY. SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE
6 CORPS. RECEIVED THE PURPLE HEART AND BRONZE STAR. HIS WIFE,
7 CELESTE, IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA REPUBLICAN
8 ASSEMBLY. TED IS SURVIVED BY CELESTE, HIS WIFE; THREE
9 CHILDREN, AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. HE WAS A VERY FINE MAN, VERY
10 SUPPORTIVE AND GOOD FRIEND. TONY MARTIN, WHO WAS ONE OF THE
11 LAST SINGING ACTORS FROM THE GOLDEN AGE AND STRONG SUPPORTER,
12 QUITE ACTIVE IN PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN'S CAMPAIGNS. HE AND
13 HIS WIFE, CYD CHARISSE. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 98.
14 PRIVATE JOSE OSCAR BELMONTES, RESIDENT OF LA VERNE, DIED WHILE
15 SERVING HIS COUNTRY IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM IN
16 AFGHANISTAN THIS PAST WEEK. HE WAS A CONSTRUCTION ARMY
17 ENGINEER. HE HAD BEEN AWARDED THE PURPLE HEART, THE OVERSEAS
18 SERVICE RIBBON, THE ARMY SERVICE RIBBON, THE ARMY ACHIEVEMENT
19 MEDAL, THE COMBAT ACTION BADGE, AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN MEDAL AND
20 THE NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE MEDAL. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
21 FATHER, AND MOTHER. JUSTICE EDWIN BEACH. HE WAS A MEMBER OF
22 THE SECOND DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS. AND HE WAS AN APPOINTEE
23 OF GOVERNOR AND THEN PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN. MARY-LYNN
24 ARRIOLA, SHE OPERATED THE ROSE-ZEES MARKET. SHE PASSED AWAY AT
25 THE AGE OF 73. JOHN FRAZEE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF,

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1 LAST STATION WAS LAKEWOOD STATION. HOWARD REESE, LOS ANGELES
2 COUNTY DEPUTY SHERIFF. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE
3 TRANSPORTATION BUREAU. HOYT LUNDIN, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPUTY
4 SHERIFF. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE LAKEWOOD STATION. OSCAR
5 "OZZIE" LEVI, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 86, LONGTIME RESIDENT
6 OF ANTELOPE VALLEY, LEADER IN HIS SYNAGOGUE AND VOLUNTEERED
7 FOR MANY YEARS WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. MARVIN LEE
8 TINDER. HE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS SECURITY WITH THE
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE
10 AGE OF 76. VALERIE TOLMAIRE, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
11 DEPARTMENT. HER LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE COURT SERVICES EAST
12 BUREAU. JOINING WITH SUPERVISOR KNABE WITH JOHN BOGERT WHO WAS
13 THE COLUMNIST FOR THE DAILY BREEZE FOR 28 YEARS AND A RESIDENT
14 OF THE PASADENA CITY. RODERICK SCOTT STEINER PASSED AWAY AT
15 THE AGE OF 53, LANDSCAPING CONTRACTOR AND ATTENDED THE CHARTER
16 OAKS SCHOOLS. MARK THOMAS MCQUEEN, HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
17 OF 18 IN A MOTORCYCLE CRASH. BORN IN LANCASTER, GRADUATE OF
18 QUARTZ HILL HIGH, STUDENT AT ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE. HE
19 LEAVES HIS PARENTS. GRACE MARTIN, A 56-YEAR RESIDENT OF
20 LANCASTER. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94. SHE WAS INVOLVED IN
21 THE COMMUNITY. HARRY DUBOISE, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 94.
22 LIVED IN ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR 70 YEARS AND ARMY AIR CORPS
23 VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II. AND STAYED ACTIVE IN HIS COMMUNITY.
24 AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR COMMUNITY'S BEEN VERY UPSET WITH THE U.S.
4 FORESTRY SERVICE BECAUSE THEY STILL HAVEN'T CHANGED THEIR
5 REGULATIONS TO ALLOW US TO HAVE THE NIGHTTIME AERIAL FLIGHTS
6 AND OTHERS TO PUT OUT THE FIRES, ESPECIALLY AFTER THAT
7 DEVASTATING STATION FIRE WHICH TOOK 160,000 ACRES AND TWO OF
8 OUR FINEST LIVES. TODAY THE U.S. IS REJECTING THE RAND STUDY,
9 WHICH INDICATED THAT THEY OUGHT TO BE USING SUPER SCOOPERS
10 AGAINST WILDFIRES, WHICH ARE MORE ECONOMICAL AND EASIER TO
11 USE. AND THE U.S. FORESTRY SERVICE CHIEF IS NOW REJECTING THAT
12 FIRE FIGHTING TOOL. AND IT'S JUST KIND OF A BIG BUREAUCRACY
13 OUT OF CONTROL. AND THAT IS ONE THAT REALLY NEEDS A HOUSE
14 CLEANING. SO THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ARE
17 YOU HOLDING ANYTHING MIKE? SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY
18 ADJOURNING MOTIONS? OKAY. MIKE, YOU WERE HOLDING ITEM NO. 2.
19 YOU HAVE ADJOURNMENTS?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES I DO.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

24

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO ASK IF ALL MEMBERS WOULD
2 JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN THE MEMORY OF VETERAN ACTRESS LUPE
3 ONTIVEROS. LUPE WAS A FAMILIAR AND BELOVED PERFORMER WHOSE
4 NUMEROUS AND POIGNANT MOVIE ROLES INCLUDED "SELENA" AND "REAL
5 WOMEN HAVE CURVES." HER ABUNDANCE OF TELEVISION CREDITS
6 INCLUDE "CHARLIE'S ANGELS," "REBA," AND "DESPERATE
7 HOUSEWIVES". LUPE ALSO LENT HER TIME AND TALENTS TO A HOST OF
8 MANY WORTHY CAUSES, INCLUDING FARM WORKER RIGHTS, VOTER
9 REGISTRATION AND THE HEARING IMPAIRED COMMUNITY. IN FACT,
10 PRIOR TO HER ACTING CAREER, LUPE WAS A LONGTIME LOS ANGELES
11 COUNTY SOCIAL WORKER RIGHT HERE IN OUR OWN SYSTEM. HER
12 COMPASSION AND KINDNESS WERE TRULY EVIDENT THROUGHOUT HER
13 LIFETIME. SHE WAS AN UNBELIEVABLE WARRIOR IN OUR COMMUNITY
14 THAT WE ALL LOVED AND GOT TO KNOW AND HAPPENED TO SEE HER
15 BEFORE SHE DIED ON THURSDAY. BUT LET ME READ A QUOTE FROM
16 BETSY SHARKEY, WHO I THINK REALLY CAPTURED SO MUCH OF HOW WE
17 FEEL ABOUT HER AND HOW EVERYONE LOOKED AT HER. BETSY SHARKEY
18 SAYS "WHETHER SHE WAS PLAYING THE LIGHT OR THE DARK SIDE OF
19 HUMANITY, THE SHEER FORCE OF ONTIVEROS' PERSONALITY COULD
20 ALWAYS BE FELT. EVEN CAST AS A MAID, SHE DID NOT FADE INTO THE
21 BACKGROUND. THE WORDS SHE WAS GIVEN TO SAY MIGHT BE
22 DEFERENTIAL, BUT HER EYES NEVER WERE. BETSY SAYS, "ONTIVEROS
23 WASN'T A GREAT BEAUTY." I WOULD DISAGREE. "BUT THERE WAS GREAT
24 CHARACTER IN HER FACE. AND AS THE YEARS WENT ON, IT WAS A FACE
25 THAT SEEMED WEATHERED BY REAL LIFE, REAL EXPERIENCES AND SHE

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1 WORE IT BEAUTIFULLY." WE ADJOURN IN HER MEMORY. SHE IS
2 SURVIVED, OF COURSE, BY HER HUSBAND AND HER THREE SONS.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
5 MIKE, ARE YOU?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES. ON ITEM NO. 2, JUST FOR THE RECORD,
8 UNITED WAY IS SOLICITING THEIR FUNDS. I HAVE A GREAT CONCERN
9 THAT OVER THE OPERATION OF UNITED WAY BECAUSE THEY NO LONGER
10 ARE PROVIDING FUNDS TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS' CLUB, WHICH IS ONE
11 OF OUR GREAT ORGANIZATIONS, AND ALSO TO THE BOY SCOUTS, THE
12 SCOUTING GROUPS, ALSO ARE ONE OF OUR GREAT ORGANIZATIONS. AND
13 I WOULD JUST URGE IF THEY ARE PART OF THIS, THAT EMPLOYEES WHO
14 SUPPORT THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB GIVE THE MONEY DIRECTLY TO
15 THE BOYS' & GIRLS' CLUB OR TO THE SCOUTS, GIVE THE MONEY
16 DIRECTLY TO THE SCOUTS. BUT IF IT GOES TO UNITED WAY, IT'S NOT
17 GOING TO BE HELPING THOSE ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO SO MUCH FOR
18 OUR CHILDREN.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO
21 ITEM NO. 2?

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'LL ABSTAIN.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES. I'LL SECOND. I'LL
2 MOVE, KNABE SECONDS WITH ANTONOVICH ABSTAINING, IT'S A 3-0, 1
3 ABSTENTION VOTE. GLORIA'S OUT OF THE ROOM. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
4 OKAY. ANY OTHER ITEMS? PUBLIC COMMENT? I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR
5 AT A TIME. ARNOLD SACHS, DOMINGO FERMIN, ERIC PREVEN AND LORNA
6 YOUNG. ARNOLD SACHS IS HERE. GO AHEAD, ARNOLD. START HIS TIME.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
9 FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE METRO, IMAGINE THAT, ON
10 THEIR NEW EXTENSION OF LATE-NIGHT HOURS. \$780,000 TO OPERATE
11 THE SEVEN SUBWAYS FOR TWO HOURS OVER THE WEEKEND. AND WHAT'S
12 INTERESTING IS THE ITEM IN THE "DAILY BREEZE," THEY COMPARE IT
13 WITH SAN FRANCISCO AND THEY COMPARE WITH CHICAGO ABOUT THE
14 HOURS OF OPERATION FOR THEIR RAIL LINES, AND I'M WONDERING IF
15 SAN FRANCISCO'S IS FOR THE WHOLE WEEK AND CHICAGO'S IS FOR THE
16 WHOLE WEEK, BECAUSE METRO'S JUST TWO HOURS OVER THE WEEKEND.
17 AND IF YOU'D KIND OF LIKE DO A LITTLE BIT OF ROUGH MATH, IT
18 WORKS OUT TO \$1100 PER HOUR TO OPERATE ONE RAIL LINE. AND
19 THAT'S A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF CARS. I KNOW THE GREEN LINE'S ONLY
20 ONE CAR. I'M SURE THE PURPLE LINE'S ONLY ONE CAR. THE OTHER
21 LINES, I CAN IMAGINE THE RED LINE BEING TWO OR THREE CARS. BUT
22 \$1100 TO RUN AND OPERATE THE SYSTEM IS OUTRAGEOUS. AND THEN
23 I'D ALSO LIKE TO -- I CONGRATULATE MS. MOLINA FOR HER STANDING
24 UP FOR THE FIRST FIVE. IMAGINE THOSE KIND OF ACCUSATIONS, IF
25 WE MAKE THOSE ACCUSATIONS, WE DON'T HEAR ANYTHING, AND IF YOU

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1 MAKE THOSE ACCUSATIONS, IT BECOMES A BIG DEAL. BUT TO MAKE
2 SUCH VIGOROUS ACCUSATIONS AND JUST TO BE BLOWN OFF LIKE THAT,
3 YOU SHOULD COME SIT ON THIS SIDE SOMETIME, MS. MOLINA. BUT I
4 DID WANT TO MENTION SOMETHING ABOUT THE GRAND AVENUE PARK AND
5 HOW THE RELATED COMPANY GOT THAT PROPERTY FOR \$50,000 FOR ONE
6 PARK, THEY GET CONTROL OF ALL THE PROPERTY AROUND DOWNTOWN
7 L.A. AND REMEMBER PENN STATE. REMEMBER, THEY FAILED TO ACT.
8 JOE PATERNO'S LEGACY IS BECAUSE HE FAILED TO ACT ON
9 INFORMATION.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP.

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13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST KEEP THAT IN MIND, SUPERVISORS.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DOMINGO FERMIN.

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17 **DOMINGO FERMIN:** YES, MY NAME IS DOMINGO FERMIN. GOOD MORNING.
18 I COME HERE SEVERAL TIMES ALREADY OVER HERE, AND I COME TODAY
19 TO PUT SOME EMPHASIS IN THE PROBLEM THAT'S GOING ON AT THE
20 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. TWO WEEKS AGO, A JUDGE HAD THE
21 COURAGE TO DENOUNCE THE SOCIAL WORKER FOR THE C.F.S. FOR LYING
22 TO THE COURT. BECAUSE THE COURT GO BY WHAT I WRITE DOWN. YOU
23 HAVE A SERIOUS, SERIOUS PROBLEM IN METRO NORTH BECAUSE THE
24 COMPLAINT, ANYBODY WHO COMPLAINS, THE COMPLAINT DON'T GO
25 FARTHER THAN THE CYNTHIA GORMAN DESK, SHE'S THE ADMINISTRATOR

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1 OVER THERE. THEY HAVE A CHANGE OVER THERE CONTROLLED BY HER
2 THAT IS INCREDIBLE. THE THREATS, THE THERAPIST, IF THEY DON'T
3 CHANGE -- THEY HAVE -- PARENT AND THEY DON'T WANT THE CHILD TO
4 GO BACK TO THE PARENT, THEY DON'T CHANGE. THEY DON'T REFER
5 NOBODY OVER THERE AGAIN. SOMEBODY HAVE TO INVESTIGATE THE
6 RELATION WITH CYNTHIA GORMAN -- WITH THE CONVICT DRUG
7 TRAFFICKER -- AND CONVICT THIEF -- WHO BY THE WAY, SHE HAVE
8 MORE THAN SIX AKA. RIGHT NOW IT IS UNDER INVESTIGATION BY THE
9 TRADE COMMISSION FOR STEALING MORE THAN \$18 MILLION AND THEN
10 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CYNTHIA GORMAN -- SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED.
11 THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ERIC PREVEN?

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15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
16 DISTRICT 3. AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA IDENTIFIED SOME PROBLEMS
17 WITH OUR R.F.P. PROCESS HERE AT THE COUNTY THAT HAVE BEEN
18 UNDERScoreD BY NUMEROUS PUBLIC RESIDENTS. AND IT IS OF GREAT
19 CONCERN. AND WE ALL REMEMBER THE FIRST FIVE L.A. PROBLEM ABOUT
20 A YEAR PLUS AGO IN WHICH WE'VE DISCOVERED THAT SOME OF THAT
21 MONEY EARMARKED FOR ONE TO FIVE-YEAR OLD CHILDREN WERE NOT
22 BEING DEPLOYED PROPERLY. SO WE ALSO QUESTION THE COUNTY TAKING
23 ON THIS MONEY. IT IS TO FUND EXISTING COUNTY POSITIONS, IN
24 PART. AND THIS MONEY SHOULD BE RIGHT IN THE COMMUNITY. AND
25 THAT'S A BIG MISTAKE. ITEM 60-A AND 60-B ARE GOING TO BE

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1 DELAYED UNTIL SOMETIME IN SEPTEMBER. THEY HAVE TO DO WITH THE
2 GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODES. NOW MS. MOLINA, I WOULD
3 ENCOURAGE YOU TO LISTEN ON THIS ONE, BECAUSE 1-D, SORRY, MR.
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU COULD LISTEN, TOO, 1-D IN THE FIRST
5 DISTRICT LAST JULY 17 WAS AN ITEM THAT HAD TO DO WITH
6 CANCELING FOR CONVENIENCE AN AGREEMENT WITH AN ARCHITECTURE
7 FIRM WHERE WE HAD ALREADY SPENT \$292,000 ON A NET ZERO
8 BUILDING. NOW NET ZERO IS OF COURSE AS GOOD AS IT GETS WHEN IT
9 COMES TO THESE KIND OF THINGS. IT WAS A TREMENDOUS WASTE OF
10 MONEY THAT IS EGREGIOUS AND INTOLERABLE. SO I'VE ASKED WHO
11 SUGGESTED THAT THERE WAS SOMETHING WRONG WITH THIS VERY
12 ATTRACTIVE DESIGN? AND I HAVE HEARD SILENCE. SO WE'D LIKE TO
13 HEAR SOMETHING BACK. I'VE CALLED THE DISTRICT OFFICE. PERHAPS
14 YOUR DISTRICT OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED, SUPERVISOR
15 THOMAS. I KNOW YOU ARE ABSTAINING ON A NUMBER OF ITEMS TODAY
16 BUT PERHAPS YOU COULD ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVES ON THIS SMALL ONE
17 BECAUSE WE HATE TO SEE COUNTY DOLLARS BEING WASTED. AND
18 REGARDING THE SHERIFF, BECAUSE I HAVE TO CONCLUDE. I WANT TO
19 SAY ONE THING ABOUT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I RESPECT THE
20 MEN IN UNIFORM LIKE THE REST OF US DO. AND THIS MORNING IT WAS
21 TOUCHING WHEN MAYOR ANTONOVICH HONORED THOSE GUYS, WHO MOST
22 SHERIFFS ARE GOOD GUYS, I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT VERY CLEAR.
23 HOWEVER, THE LEADERSHIP IN OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WHO WE
24 ELECTED, UNFORTUNATELY, NEEDS TO GO. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THIS
25 BOARD IS PLANNING ON PUTTING ITS HEAD DIRECTLY IN THE SAND AS

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1 WELL. BUT ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS LISTEN TO THE TESTIMONY ON
2 FRIDAY, AND YOU ASK YOURSELF IF THOSE LEADERS ARE
3 APPROPRIATELY DOING THEIR JOB LIKE THE YOUNG GUYS WHO SAVED
4 PEOPLE ON THE DAY IN QUESTION. WE GOT TO DO THIS, GUYS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LORNA YOUNG? BEFORE YOU
7 START, MS. YOUNG, LET ME CALL UP JIMMY MCMILLEN. IS MR.
8 MCMILLEN HERE? WESLEY WALKER? AND MARC WARE. MS. YOUNG?

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10 **LORNA YOUNG:** MY NAME IS LORNA YOUNG. I'M AN ELIGIBILITY WORKER
11 3 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 17-1/2 YEARS. I STAND TODAY
12 TO EXPOSE WORKPLACE BULLYING WITH NO ACCOUNTABILITY AND NO
13 JUSTICE. ADMINISTRATORS AND MANAGEMENT ARE HARASSING,
14 INTIMIDATING, BELITTling AND SLANDERING WORKERS. AT SOUTHWEST
15 FAMILY DISTRICT NO. 83, WE ARE MET WITH DISRESPECT, NO
16 ACCOUNTABILITY, FAVORITISM, NO GUIDANCE, LITTLE OR NO
17 TRAINING, AND ZERO TOLERANCE. WE HAVE SEVERE VIOLATIONS OF
18 TITLE 5, CIVIL CODE 20 WITH REGARD TO OUR PERFORMANCE
19 EVALUATION PROCESSING. THERE IS AN ABUSE OF POWER THERE THAT
20 VIOLATES L.A. COUNTY PERSONNEL CODE 9700, NUMBER 24. AND ALL
21 THESE THINGS LEAD TO MIGRAINES, MISCARRIAGES, HOMELESSNESS AND
22 DEATH. I HAVE A LIST OF VIOLATIONS HERE THAT ARE LIMITED --
23 NOT LIMITED TO. THE ADMINISTRATION, HUMAN RESOURCES AND APPEAL
24 SHOULD BE HELD TO POLICY FOR ANYTHING BUT SPECIFICALLY THE
25 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS AND ALL OTHER RELEVANT AREAS OF

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1 DISCIPLINE. SUPERVISORS ARE TAKING EMPLOYEES' TIME WITHOUT
2 NOTIFYING PEOPLE. THE DIRECTORS ARE SEGREGATED THE OFFICE AND
3 LIED ON STEWARDS, WHICH I AM A UNION STEWARD. AND NOW THERE
4 ARE SEVERAL DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS BEING FILED. OUR OFFICE
5 IS DIVIDED. WE HAVE A VERY HOSTILE WORK ENVIRONMENT. I HAVE
6 CONTACTED B.O.S. THROUGH THE PERSON OF MISS ANDERSON. SHE IS A
7 DEPUTY ASSISTANT AND I NEVER GOT A CALL BACK. I'VE CALLED DOWN
8 MANY TIMES, AND WE HAVE HAD NO ACTION. WE NEED SOMEBODY TO
9 COME DOWN AND LISTEN TO THE CONCERNS OF THE STAFF THERE THAT
10 IS SERVICING THE PUBLIC. IT HAS BECOME A VERY SEVERE HEALTH
11 AND SAFETY ISSUE. I AM A CANCER SURVIVOR, AND IT IS BACK. AND
12 THIS HAS A LOT TO DO WITH IT.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. JIMMY MCMILLEN?

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16 **JIMMY MCMILLEN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

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20 **JIMMY MCMILLEN:** MY NAME IS JIMMY LEE MCMILLEN. I'M A MILITARY
21 VET. E-4. AND I'M HERE TODAY FOR L.A. CAN TO SUPPORT THE
22 A.B.828 BILL. WE KNOW THAT THINGS SOMETIMES ARE PUT ON THE
23 BACK BURNER, SO WE'RE HERE TO INITIATE AND MAKE FOCUS OF THE
24 A.B.828 BILL AND ACT AND SO WE CAN HELP THE POOR PEOPLE IN
25 SUCH A TIME LIKE THIS. AND WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE ACT DIFFERENT

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1 UNDER CONSTRAINT AND STILL RESTRAINT. AND SO WE THINK NOW THAT
2 YOU SHOULD CONSIDER WHAT WE'RE PUTTING BEFORE YOU. AND SAYING
3 THAT, THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. MCMILLEN. MR.
6 WALKER?

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8 **WESLEY WALKER:** YES. GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME'S
9 WESLEY WALKER, JR. AND I'M ALSO A VET AND A MEMBER OF L.A.
10 CAN. I'M HERE TO SPEAK OUT ABOUT THE CURRENT STATEWIDE BAN ON
11 CALFRESH AND FOOD STAMPS FOR NONVIOLENT DRUG OFFENDERS. FIVE
12 YEARS AGO I DID A NINE-MONTH TERM IN JAIL. SINCE THEN I'VE
13 COMPLETED A ONE-YEAR PROGRAM, THIS WAS APPROVED BY THE COURT
14 SYSTEM HERE. I HAVE BEEN CLEAN AND SOBER SINCE THEN. I'VE
15 CHANGED MY LIFE AROUND. I'VE DONE WELL IN THE COMMUNITY. I CAN
16 DO BETTER. NOW, I BROKE THE LAW. I PAID FOR THAT. NOW, THE
17 STATE WANTS ME TO KEEP PAYING FOR THAT BY BANNING ME AND
18 OTHERS FROM CALFRESH. ASSEMBLY BILL 828 WILL LIFT THE BAN FOR
19 THE PEOPLE LIKE ME, ALLOWING FEDERAL MONEY TO COME INTO OUR
20 STATE ECONOMY. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO DO ALL THAT YOU CAN TO
21 PRESSURE OUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES, ESPECIALLY TED LU AND
22 CURREN PRICE, TO PASS THIS BILL AND LIFT THE BAN ON FOOD
23 STAMPS. WITH ALL THE COMPLEXITY OF RE-ALIGNMENT IN OUR STATE
24 BUDGET BOTH I, AND THE STATE, THE COUNTY AND THE CITY ARE IN
25 CRITICAL NEED OF THESE RESOURCES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. WARE, BEFORE YOU
3 START MR. WARE, LET ME ASK ERIC ARES. COME ON DOWN. MR. WARE.

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5 **MARK WARE:** GOOD AFTERNOON LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MY NAME IS
6 MARK WARE. ME AND MY CONSTITUENTS ARE HERE ON BEHALF OF THE
7 LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK. THE REASON WE ARE HERE
8 IS TO MAKE YOU AWARE OF OUR INTENTIONS AS AN ADVOCACY GROUP TO
9 LOBBY SACRAMENTO AND GET A LOGICAL UNDERSTANDING OF WHY THE
10 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY OF THE
11 DISENFRANCHISED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA ARE BEING WITHHELD
12 FUNDING IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$500 MILLION A YEAR. THERE
13 IS ESTIMATED TO BE 38 MILLION PEOPLE LIVING IN THE STATE OF
14 CALIFORNIA, AND OF THAT NUMBER AT LEAST 10 MILLION HUMAN
15 BEINGS OF COLOR DESCENT, WHICH INCLUDES LATINO, AFRICAN
16 AMERICAN, ASIAN, AND AT LEAST 5 MILLION OF CAUCASIAN DESCENT
17 ARE DISENFRANCHISED. THIS FUNDING THAT I AM TALKING ABOUT IS
18 THE FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE
19 PROGRAM. THIS FUNDING BY S.N.A.P. REGULATED BY A BAN THAT
20 PROHIBITS WOMEN WHO ARE CRIMINALIZED AS EXTREME FELONS. AND
21 MANY OF THESE CRIMINALIZED ARE THE CHILDREN OF THOSE MOTHERS
22 DENIED THIS FUNDING. AS WE LOOK CLOSER AT THE BOTTOM LINE, A
23 DISENFRANCHISED FAMILY OF FOUR, WHICH IS COMMON IN MANY
24 MINORITY COMMUNITIES AND POOR WHITE COMMUNITIES, RECEIVE \$668
25 A MONTH IN FUNDING FROM S.N.A.P. THIS FAMILY OF FOUR WE ARE

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1 TALKING ABOUT, THOSE YOUNG CRIMINALIZED CHILDREN, WHOSE MOTHER
2 IS NOW DEEMED A DRUG OFFENDER, AND NOW AS THE MOTHER OF THESE
3 YOUNG CHILDREN HAS REDEEMED HER EYES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
4 SYSTEM BY SERVING OUT HER TIME, THE CHILDREN STILL GO WITHOUT
5 PROPER NUTRITION AND SUPPLEMENTS EVERY DAY AS LONG AS THIS BAN
6 STAYS IN PLACE. AS WE LOOK AROUND AT THIS ONCE GREAT STATE, WE
7 SEE THE DESPERATE NEED OF A BENEFICIAL FINANCIAL STIMULUS THAT
8 WOULD SUPPORT OUR LAGGING ECONOMY MADE UP OF CREATIVE BUSINESS
9 MODELS AND CREATIVE OUTSTANDING PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS. WE OF
10 L.A. CAN WOULD LIKE YOUR SUPPORT ON THIS ISSUE AS WE LOBBY
11 SACRAMENTO AND GIVE THE ECONOMY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
12 THIS FINANCIAL RELIEF TO THE DISENFRANCHISED POOR, MIDDLE
13 CLASS, AND RICH SOCIETIES AS OUR COMMUNITIES WORK HAND-IN-HAND
14 TO BECOME ONCE AGAIN FINANCIALLY SECURE AS WE ONCE WERE.
15 CALIFORNIA NEEDS TO PUT SOME OF ITS FEDERAL TAX DOLLARS BACK
16 IN ITS OWN POCKET INSTEAD OF WATCHING OTHER STATES OPT OUT OF
17 THIS BAN AND USE TAX DOLLARS PROVIDED BY THE STATE OF
18 CALIFORNIA TO VIEW THEIR DEPRESSED ECONOMIES. THANK YOU FOR
19 YOUR TIME, YOUR EYES AND MOST IMPORTANTLY YOUR EARS. AND
20 PLEASE CONTACT L.A. CAN FOR ANY CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE
21 PERTAINING TO OUR DISENFRANCHISED COMMUNITIES.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** WE MIGHT HAVE MR. ALSAP LOOK AT THAT PARTICULAR
2 BILL AND GIVE US A REPORT BACK.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GOOD IDEA. YOU'RE MR. ARES.

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6 **ERIC ARES:** YES SIR. GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ERIC ARES. I
7 ALONG WITH MR. WARE, MR. MCMILLEN AND MR. WALKER ARE WITH THE
8 LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY ACTION NETWORK AND ALSO THE CALIFORNIA
9 HUNGER ACTION COALITION. WE COME BEFORE YOU TODAY OBVIOUSLY TO
10 TALK ABOUT ABOUT A.B.828 WHICH WOULD LIFT THE LIFETIME BAN ON
11 FOOD STAMPS FOR DRUG NONVIOLENT DRUG OFFENDERS. 37 STATES AND
12 THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HAVE LIFTED THIS BAN FOR THEIR
13 RESIDENTS. AND WE ARE CURRENTLY WORKING WITH OUR STATEWIDE
14 COALITION TO GET THE BAN LIFTED IN CALIFORNIA. WE FEEL THAT IT
15 IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS. AS WESLEY
16 SAID, IN THESE TIMES OF BUDGET ISSUES AND RE-ALIGNMENT, THE
17 COUNTY IS ABSORBING A LOT OF FOLKS COMING BACK INTO SOCIETY
18 WHO ARE IN DIRE NEED OF RESOURCES. AND THIS BAN WOULD ALLOW
19 THOSE FOLKS TO ACCESS CALFRESH OR FOOD STAMPS. WE UNDERSTAND
20 THAT THIS IS NOT UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE SUPERVISORS.
21 HOWEVER, WE CAN'T GO TO SACRAMENTO EVERY DAY. AND SO WHAT
22 WE'RE DOING IS WHILE WE'RE WORKING WITH THE STATE LEGISLATURE,
23 WE ARE CALLING ON THE SUPERVISORS TO PASS SOME SORT OF
24 SYMBOLIC RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THIS OR BY CONTACTING
25 SPECIFICALLY TED LU OR SENATOR CURREN PRICE WHO ARE ON THE

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1 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, WHICH IS WHERE THIS BILL IS.
2 IT'S IN SUSPENSE FILE. IT PASSED THE ASSEMBLY LAST YEAR. IT
3 WAS INTRODUCED BY ASSEMBLY MEMBER SANDRA SWANSON. BUT IT IS
4 CURRENTLY SUSPENSE FILE IN THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS
5 COMMITTEE. NOW, WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME. IT HAS TO GET OUT OF
6 SUSPENSE BY AUGUST 17. AND AGAIN, WE ARE WORKING WITH SENATOR
7 TED LU'S OFFICE. WE ARE WORKING WITH SENATOR CURREN PRICE'S
8 OFFICE AND ALL THE STATE LEGISLATURE. WE'RE JUST LOOKING TO GO
9 TO ANYBODY ELSE WE CAN TO COVER OUR BASES TO SEE IF THERE'S
10 ANYTHING YOU CAN DO. SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE IN ADDITION TO ALL
11 THE GENERAL REASONS WHY WE NEED SUPPORT, WE THINK THAT THE
12 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ABSORBS A LOT OF THE COSTS OF FOLKS WHO
13 ARE IN CRITICAL NEED OF THESE RESOURCES. AND SO LIKE WESLEY
14 SAID, THIS BRINGS IN FEDERAL MONEY. FOR EVERY \$5 THAT CALFRESH
15 HAS BROUGHT INTO THE COMMUNITY, IT GENERATES \$9 IN THE LOCAL
16 ECONOMY. AND SO FOR THOSE REASONS WE WOULD ENCOURAGE THE BOARD
17 TO DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO HELP US GET THIS PASSED. THANK
18 YOU.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THAT ENDS THE
21 PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE NO OTHER REQUESTS TO BE HEARD. SO TAKE
22 US INTO CLOSED SESSION.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
25 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL



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1 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CS-2, CS-3
2 AND CS-4 AND CS-5, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
3 EXISTING LITIGATION, ITEM NO. CS-6, DEPARTMENT HEAD
4 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS. ITEM NO. CS-7, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
5 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE
6 CASE. AND ITEM NO. CS-8, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
7 WILLIAM T FUJIOKA AND DESIGNATED STAFF AS INDICATED ON THE
8 POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JULY 31, 2012

No reportable action was taken on items CS-1, CS-2, CS-4, CS-5, CS-6, CS-7 or CS-8.

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision (a) of the Government Code Section 54956.9)
Anthony Jimenez v. County of Los Angeles, United States
District Court Case No. CV 99-03455.

This litigation arises from allegations of civil rights
violations by employees of the Sheriff s Department. (10-0944)

The Board authorized County Counsel to pay the remaining
attorney's fees and interest to satisfy the judgment in this
case.

The vote of the Board was 3-1, with Supervisor Molina voting
no and Supervisor Ridley-Thomas being absent.

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